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TRUCE TALKS HANGING IN BALANCE

UN May Concede Kaesong Issue

Munsan, Nov. 2. Truce talks in Korea hung in the balance today but there was mounting indication that the United Nations may back down on the Kaesong issue. Kaesong is the key to the Korean truce line.

The Joint Truce Committee will meet for the 10th day since the resumption of the talks at 11 a.m. on Saturday in an effort to solve the Kaesong issue—major barrier to a quick agreement on the armistice line.

The United Nations will take a "firm stand on Kaesong, historic invasion gateway to southern Korea." But the United Nations spokesman, Brigadier-General William Nickols, said that "adamant" was not the word to describe the United Nations position. That was the first indication that Kaesong may be abandoned to the Reds at the truce table. Webster's dictionary defines "adamant" as "unyielding."

The issue would appear to hinge on what the United Nations defines as "minor refinement or modification" of the Allied proposal made on the first day of the new talks on October 25. The United Nations has said repeatedly that it would agree to no more than "minor refinements" in the United Nations proposal, but Gen. Nickols said the United Nations had not spelled out exactly what it considers minor refinements.

AVOID ULTIMATUM Communist newsmen stressed repeatedly in Pan Man Jon roadside briefings that the Reds will never give up the city if it wrecks the truce talks. But the Communists avoided giving an ultimatum on the issue.

American officials expect long bargaining even if agreement were reached on a truce line in Korea.

When and if the United Nations and Communist military leaders negotiate an armistice, diplomats will have to solve difficult problems such as political and territorial issues.

United States observers noted that agreement on a truce line was only now in sight—14 weeks after a five-point agenda had been drawn up at Kaesong. The truce line was the first major item on this agenda.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

HK's Juvenile Delinquency

THE Colony is advised by Mr Peterson, Principal Probationary Officer, not to view with alarm the fact that there were 54,000 cases of juvenile delinquents last year. Nevertheless, the figure hardly calls for complacency. The compelling and dangerous aspect of juvenile delinquency is that unless its incidence can be firmly controlled and gradually reduced, an increasing number of youthful miscreants evolve into adult criminals. This, to some extent, explains the swelling number of men and women who have to be sent to our prisons. Whether or not the number of juvenile offenders can be considered alarming in their proportion to the Colony's total population, there is no denying they represent a serious social problem. The natural question is whether Government is doing all, or anything like it, should, to eradicate juvenile delinquency. While it is true that probationary schools exist, and while Government offers moral and some practical support to the Boys' and Girls' Clubs, official policy does not appear to be vigorously directed toward prevention of juvenile delinquency. Police officers and magistrates are confronted with a distasteful task. The wayward youngsters have to be dealt with according to the law, but facilities for following up correction with a curative treatment are pitifully inadequate. Social and religious organisations do their best, but the problem has reached proportions beyond them to resolve. Moreover, the situation is aggravated by the fact that most of the young offenders are victims of their environment and upbringing. Case history in abundance is available

to show that many children in Hong Kong are driven to thieving, illegal hawking, and a host of other petty offences by lawless parents and guardians. Their chances of permanent escape from these injurious influences and environment are negligible. Mr Peterson declares that schooling is not enough, and all who have any appreciation of the problem will agree with him. These children require proper homes where they come under the correct sort of persuasive influence; somewhere where they can be socially as well as academically educated. The challenge confronts the community as much as it does Government. Juvenile delinquency is not yet out of hand, but it could easily become so with the existing inadequate means of combating it at source. Government could and must do more in acknowledging its prime responsibility for dealing with juvenile delinquency, for the persistent presence in increasing numbers of these youthful delinquents is a growing menace to the social and legal fabric of the Colony. Two propositions advance themselves: either the provision of more Government-controlled homes, run on enlightened lines for these unfortunate children, or more generous official financial support for voluntary organisations and institutions which are today doing their utmost to tackle the problem. The whole question, it is readily admitted, is difficult and complex, but it is just these factors which make it essential that the problem be tackled intelligently, generously, and with vision, even if this means slightly straining the Colony's finances.

Presents His Credentials

Moscow, Nov. 2. The new British Ambassador to the Soviet Union, Sir Alvan de Gascogne, told the Russians to-day he believed that a basis of understanding on current problems could be reached with goodwill and sincerity on both sides.

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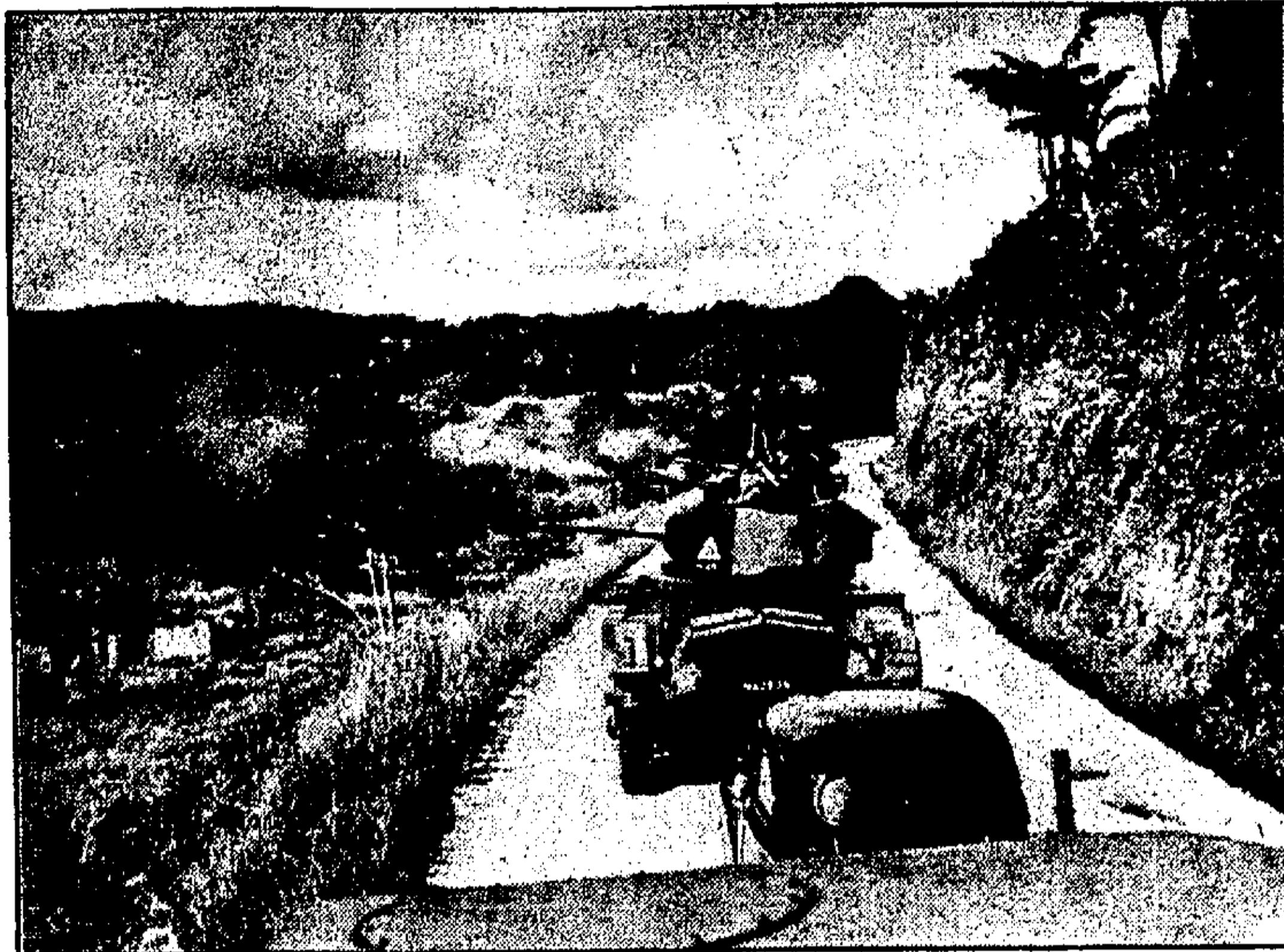
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Sir Alvan, former head of the British political mission in Tokyo, succeeds Sir David Kelly in Moscow.—Reuter.

Refinery To Resume

Abadan, Nov. 2. Teheran Radio broadcast an announcement by the Persian National Oil Board today that the Abadan refinery would restart work on Sunday.—Reuter.

Action In Malaya



Truman Farewells A "Wonderful Couple"

Washington, Nov. 2. President Truman said goodbye today to a "wonderful couple who have so completely captured the hearts of all of us" and said he hoped that Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip would come back soon "and bring your lovely children."

Then, on a more sombre note, the President told Britain's future Queen and Royal Consort he hoped for the day when British and American labours for peace would make war "impossible in the world."

The President spoke his farewells and voiced his hopes for the future at a ceremony in White House Rose Garden, concluding the Royal couple's two-day visit shortly before they took off on their return flight to Canada.

Because of a cold drizzle which blotted out the capital's autumn colours, the ceremony was held under a moisture-proof canopy.

President Truman's remarks were in response to a brief speech by the 25-year-old Princess in which winding up "two very happy days as your guests" she gave the President an antique overmantle for the White House from her father, the King.

With the President to say "good-bye and come again" were Mrs. Truman and her daughter Margaret.

Although the weather was very cloudy here and elsewhere on the coast, the Royal Party held to its plan to fly back to Montreal aboard a big Canadian Royal Air Force transport.

SIGHTSEEING TRIP

In two hours before the Rose Garden ceremony, Princess Elizabeth and Prince Philip made a whirlwind sightseeing trip to Washington Episcopal Cathedral where they paused briefly for prayers and to the Library of Congress, the Supreme Court and the Capitol.

At the Library they saw—and asked questions about—the glass-enclosed original of the Declaration of Independence in which the world drew the yoke of the old.

At the Capitol the plan had been to manoeuvre them so that they would not see such reminders of past British difficulties as the painting of George Washington's final revolutionary war victory at Yorktown. But the Duke expressed interest in the paintings and the scene of Cornwallis' surrender to Washington at Yorktown was pointed out to him.

The four old friends began discussions which Mr Churchill hopes will bring him a most desired and needed Christmas present—more military and economic aid from the United States.

SECOND CHAPTER

The second chapter in the new Churchill Government's move to improve Anglo-American relations will take place in Paris on Sunday. Then, Mr Eden will have his first talk with the United States Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, preliminary to a "Big Three" meeting on Monday, the third man being the French Foreign Minister, Mr Robert Schuman.

Mr Acheson is also expected to see Mr Churchill before he returns to Washington from the United Nations meetings in Paris.

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Ava Gardner To Marry Sinatra

Philadelphia, Nov. 2. Crooner Frank Sinatra and actress Ava Gardner applied for a marriage licence at the City Hall today. United Press

MAIL

RAF Planes Join In Canal Zone Operations MANY EGYPTIAN WORKERS DESERTING JOBS

Fayid, Nov. 2.

Royal Air Force spotter planes are keeping watch over the zone by day while at night British troops guard strategic points and secret scientific devices against possible armed intruders.

The British forces, now including seasoned troops who fought Jewish terrorists in Palestine, are ready for anything.

The blackout on news of Egyptian workers deserting jobs with the British authorities has continued, but there were many indications today that the degree of defection was considerable.

Many officers had to make their own beds and in many messes a "serve yourself" system was introduced.

Egyptians, yielding to threats and intimidation from anti-British elements, were pulling out in large numbers.

the hands of the Big Powers and is being used to launch cold wars as a pretext of red hot "war to come," it said.—Reuter.

DAYLIGHT CONVOY

Aboard HMS Gamble, Nov. 2.

By sunrise today British sailors from this cruiser and other warships had moored and clipp'd some 280 ships using the Suez Canal.

More than 100 of these vessels were non-British, including American, French, Italian, Dutch, Danish, Paganian and Liberian.

The new "daylight" convoy scheme was working well and an average of 27 ships daily are passing through the Canal with a few sailing at night with their own lights.

Ships were sheltered in Port Said today as tradesmen feared anti-British agitators might foment riots with the close of the Moslem Sabbath.

A British armoured patrol reported a small amount of stone throwing.—Reuter.

More New Ministers

London, Nov. 2. Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd becomes Minister of State for Colonial Affairs in the Conservative Government of Mr Winston Churchill. It was officially announced tonight.

Miss Florence Horsbrugh becomes Minister of Education. She is the only woman among Mr Churchill's Ministers.

Other appointments were: The Earl of Home, Lord Advocate—Mr James Clydes.

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Scotland—Commander Thomas Dunlap Galbraith and Mr W. McNair Scadden.

It was also announced tonight that Sir Thomas Dugdale, newly appointed Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, Mr Lennox-Boyd and Mr Clydes are to become Privy Councillors.

None of the appointments announced today carries Cabinet rank.—Reuter.

Attacked Rabbi Recovering

The condition of Rabbi Eleazar of the Chel Leah Synagogue, who was stabbed in the shoulder by one of three robbers and sustained serious injuries when he slipped and fell on the steps of his home while fleeing from his despoilers yesterday, was stated to be better this morning.

The attack on the Rabbi was made after he had admitted the three Chinese to his home on the first floor of "Beth Simhah."

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BUS DISASTER

Damascus, Nov. 2. Seventeen people were killed and 37 injured when a bus overturned in the suburbs of Damascus today.—Reuter.



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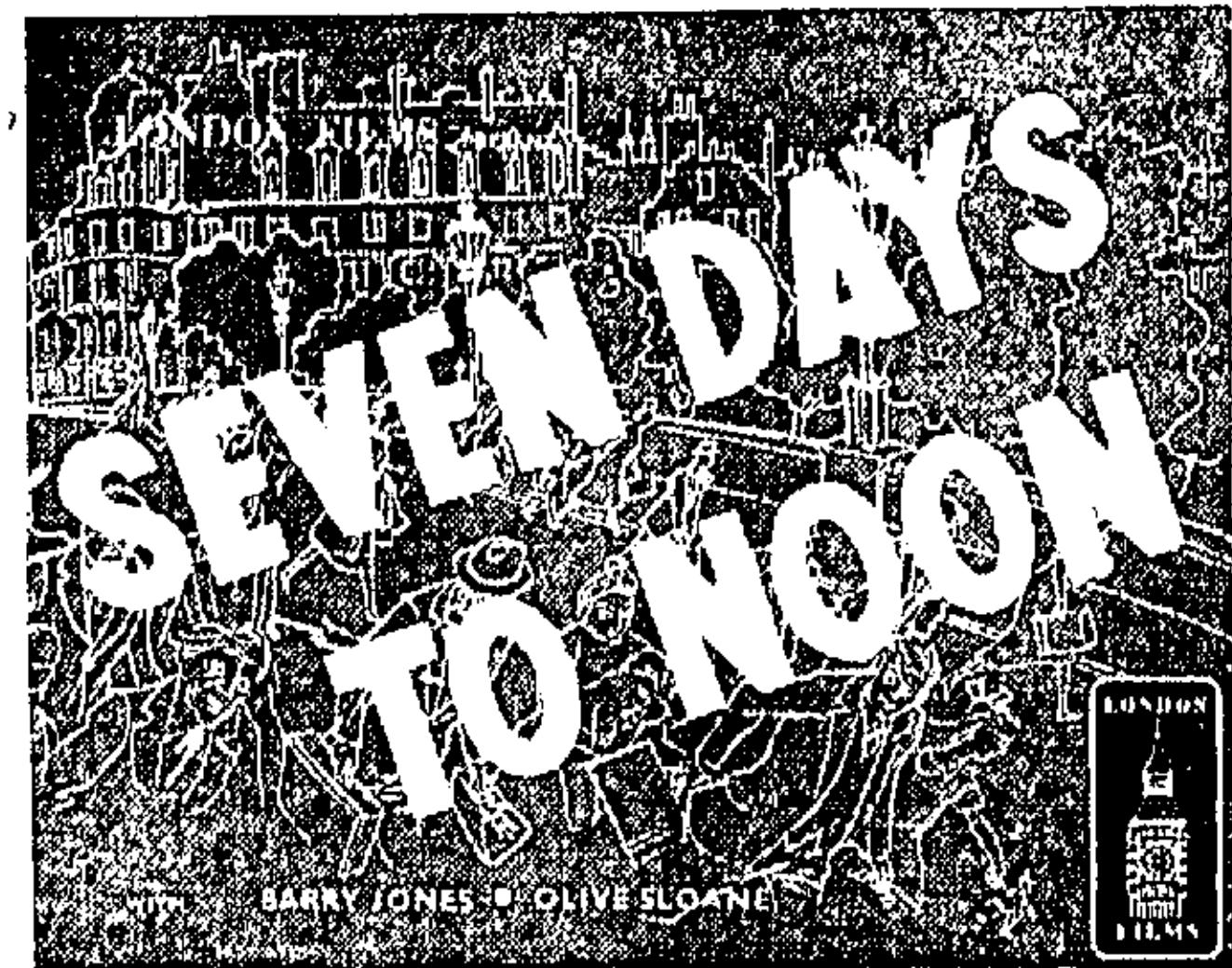
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ITALY'S STAR MAKER

No one in Italy rates higher in the world of entertainment than Vittorio de Sica. For, besides being one of Italy's top two directors (the other is Rossellini), he is also one of the country's best-known actors.

He looks it. He has a fine, strong face. His hair is greying at the temples. He uses his hands to emphasize every point of his conversation. Like Rossellini he oozes charm.

His office in Rome is both tasteful and luxurious. Which is as it should be. For de Sica earns £25,000 or more a film.

His most recently shown production, "Miracle in Milan," a story which hovers between reality and fable, has been acclaimed as one of the most unusual films ever made.

Some odd things happen in it, certainly. For instance, there is a young negro who loves a white girl. But he never dares to tell her of his love because of the colour of his skin. Then, a miracle occurs.

Everyone can wish what they want and their wishes come true. Immediately, the negro wishes himself white and rushes to declare his love to the girl. But she has made a wish, too. She is now black.

LIFE OF FATHER

Recently de Sica has completed another unusual picture, "Umberto D"—unusual because the leading characters are an old man of 68 and a girl of 17.

As always de Sica has unknowns playing these star parts. To play the title role, that of a retired civil servant who finds it impossible to live on his absurdly meagre pension (de Sica has based this character on his own father's experiences), he engaged a Professor of ancient languages whom he found at the University of Florence.

The professor, his name is Batisi, promptly resigned from the faculty and has now embarked on a belated career as an actor.

Both he and the girl, an unknown named Maria Casiglio, says their director, "give magnificent interpretations." So Italy now has two more prospective stars.

NOT FORGOTTEN

De Sica's next film will be as an actor. He will play the leading role in a comedy, "Good Morning, Elephant." "Very difficult making a film with an elephant," he said, adding that he hoped the Elephant Boy himself, Sabu, would be available to play an Indian in the picture.

Because of de Sica's preoccupation with poverty—all the above-mentioned films are concerned with penurious characters—he has often been accused of being a Communist. Is he?

ROY NASH Round The British Film Studios

Merle Oberon Has One Ambition

Merle Oberon, taking 24 hours off from "Twenty-Four Hours Of A Woman's Life" at Elstree, leaned back in the car which was taking her on a round of visits to friends and thought about her future.

She has beauty, fame, lovely clothes, a home in the Hollywood sun, many distinguished friends behind her.

"But are there?" I asked, "any



Yvonne Scatchard

ambitions you still have to satisfy?"

A thoughtful look came into her slanting eyes. "Yes," she said. "To make one more really wonderful film and then say 'That's enough.'"

Will "Twenty-Four Hours" be that picture? "Can't tell until I've finished it," she said.

ANOTHER CONTRACT

In any case, she has a contract for another Hollywood film this autumn so it is too soon for her to think about retirement.

"Twenty-Four" appeals to her because it has a romantic background—Monte Carlo—and the part she plays, a splinter in her late thirties who falls in

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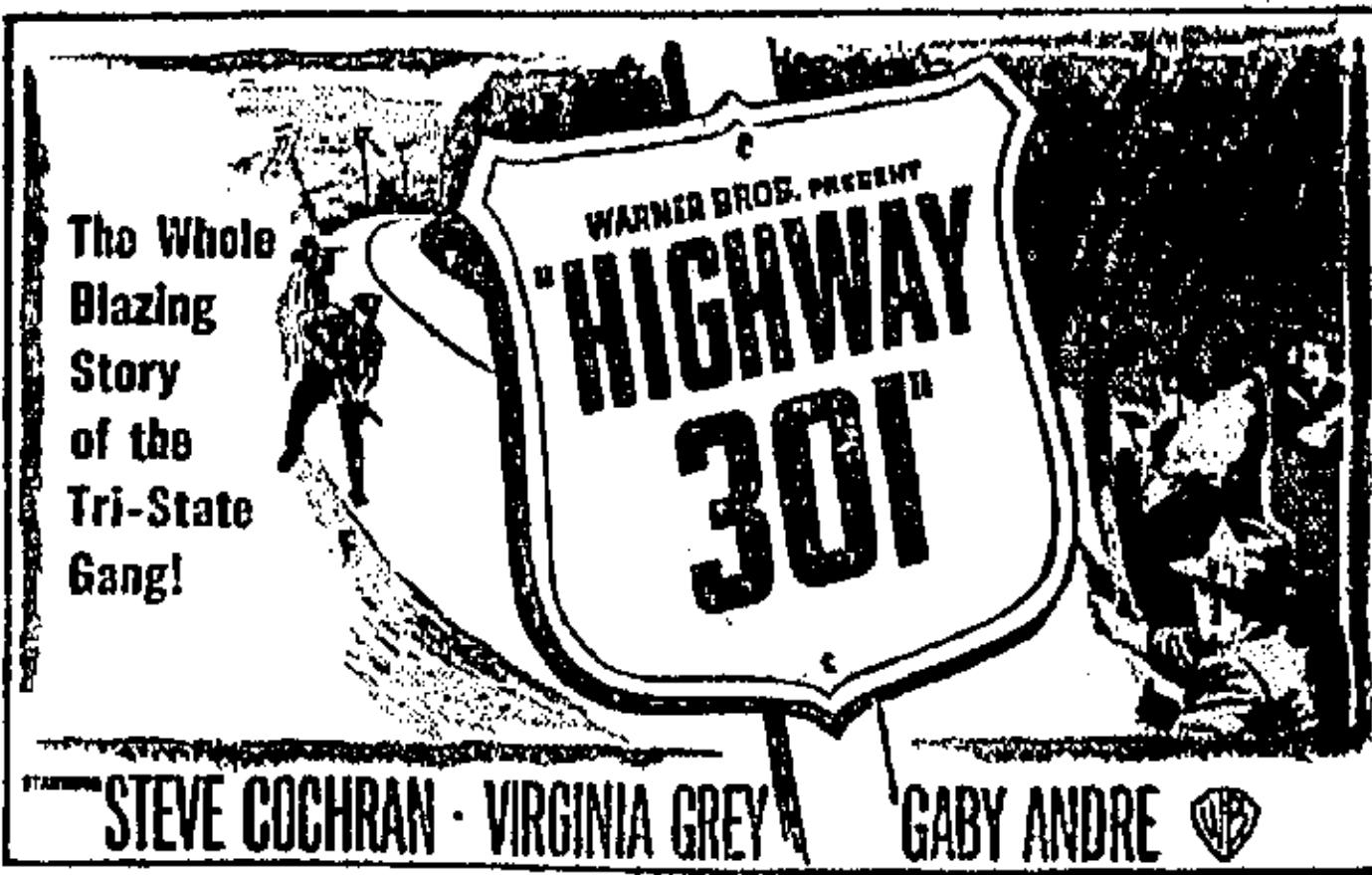
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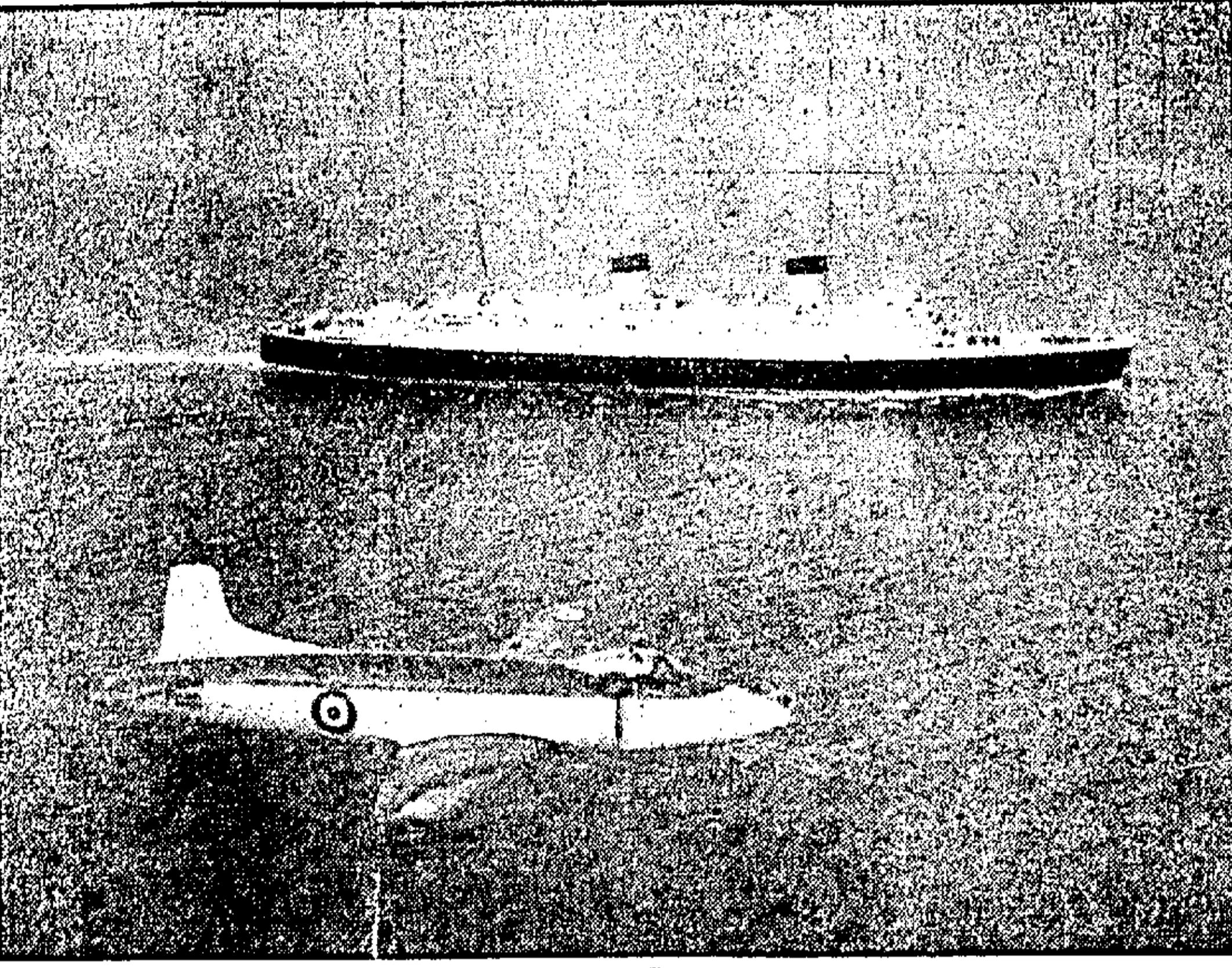
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HOMESIDE PICTORIAL



MAJESTIC, brown and white-furred is Storm, the Afghan hound of the Royal Air Force police dog contingent, pictured here wearing his "regimentals," with the "boss," F. Sgt. J. D. Courtney, at the training school at Netheravon, Wiltshire. (Reuterphoto)



SYMBOL of Britain's leadership on and over the seas is this meeting in the English Channel between a Vickers Supermarine Attacker jet fighter, of the Royal Navy's first jet squadron, and the great Cunard liner, Queen Elizabeth. The Attacker, built for carrier operation, has a maximum speed at sea level of 585 miles per hour. (Reuterphoto)



PRINCESS Margaret arriving at Earl's Court for her first visit to this year's Motor Show. (Central Press)



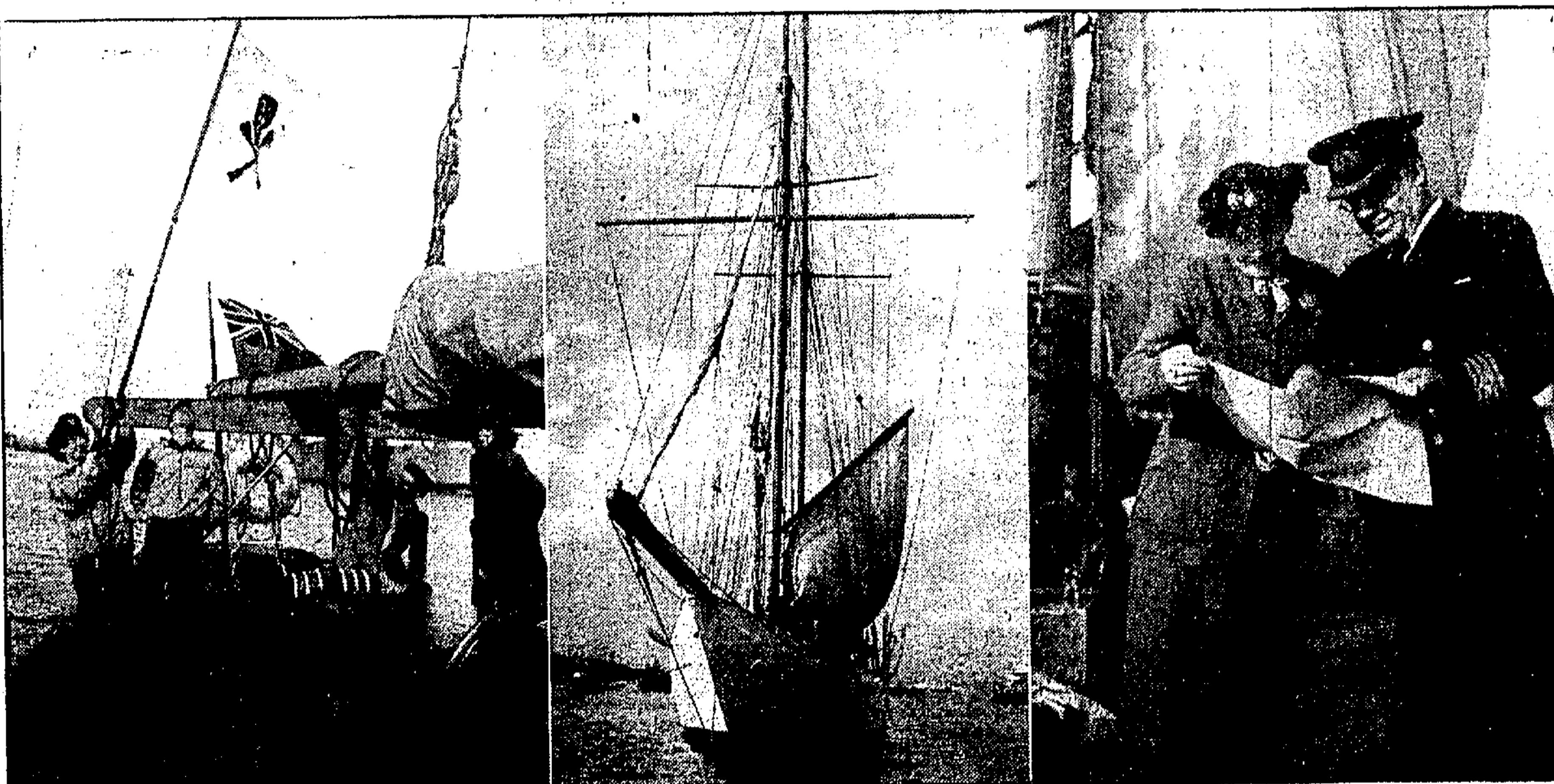
INFORMALLY dressed in civilian clothes, General Mohammed Ayub Khan, Commander-in-Chief of the Pakistan Army, arrives at the War Office to pay a courtesy call on Field Marshal Sir William Slim, Chief of the Imperial General Staff. (Reuterphoto)



RIGHT: Arms linked together, three great wartime leaders step out together at the annual Alamein reunion in London's Empress Hall. Sir Winston Churchill is flanked by General Dwight D. Eisenhower and Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery. (Express Service)



MR Clement Attlee shown doing some final electioneering before polling day at Walthamstow. (Express Service)



LEFT: Hoisting the Jolly Roger and setting the sails aboard the schooner Lamorna, which is due to sail in search of Captain Kidd's treasure somewhere in the China Sea. The right-hand picture shows Mrs. Elizabeth Dick, who owns the map which shows the location of the treasure, with Captain Coumandreas, who owns the schooner. (Express Service)

BELOW: Four hand-wrought solid silver keys to the memorial gates are presented to Princess Elizabeth at the RCAF Station at Trenton, Ontario. (Express Service).

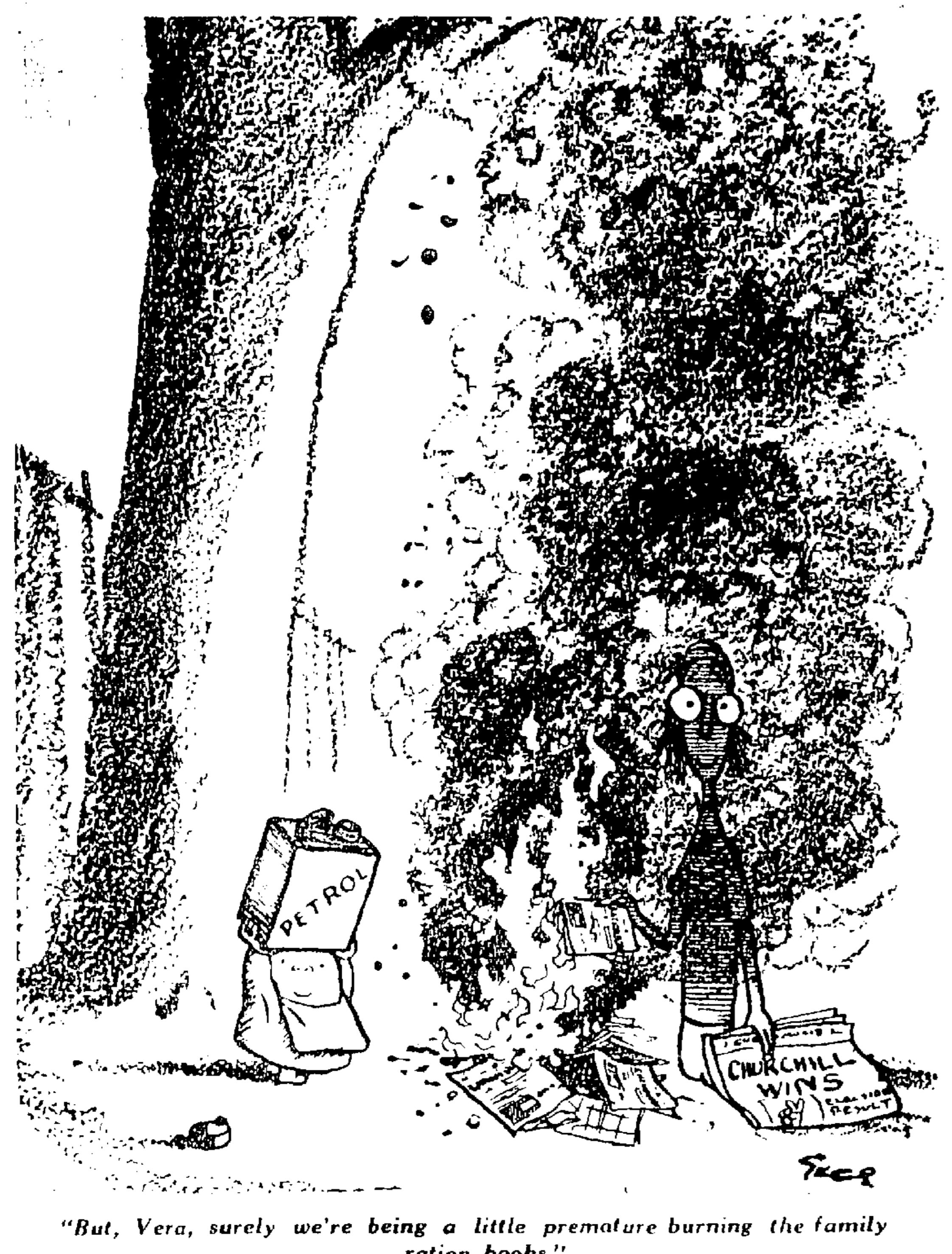


DR Albert Schweitzer, who threw away a great musical career to become a medical missionary in Africa, paid a 48-hour visit to London recently. He has written several books on philosophy. (Express Service)



REAR-ADmiral Soucek of the United States Navy chatting to 14-year-old Sea Cadet Brian Lewis, of Hampstead, the youngest Cadet present at the annual dinner of the RNVT Association at the Connaught Rooms, London. (Express Service)





"But, Vera, surely we're being a little premature burning the family ration books."

Why Britain lies third in The race for That Big Bang

BEFORE someone starts **B** up the legend that Professor Bruno Pontecorvo built Russia's new atom bomb, let me point out that Soviet scientists staged an atom explosion a year before the ex-Italian professor fled from Britain.

Pontecorvo may have given the Russians some of Britain's secret "know-how." But he is more likely to have delighted them with his disclosures of the astonishing extent of Britain's "don't know-how."

Russia's latest bomb test underlines the fact that after five years' intensive effort, at a cost of £38,000,000, Britain is now lying a bad third.

Shaken?

EXACTLY how far we are behind is now being explained to the new boss of the atom project, D-Day planning General Sir Frederick Morgan, who is making his first tour of the Government's six huge atom stations.

The other day he visited the uranium 235 plant at Capenhurst, Cheshire, which was begun

of proved efficiency in command.

U.S. atom bosses can fire fools and pay big money to get big men. In the British project fools cannot be fired. Civil Service procedure makes it almost impossible for extra money to be offered to tempt men from industry.

Lord Cherwell tells me the Government seems to have ignored his warning, although the House of Lords supported his motion of censure. Mr Attlee seems satisfied that the British project cannot be better run.

The Americans are not so smug. They believe that with more freedom for enterprise and with more competition they could move even faster.

Their idea

SO a bold plan to increase competition is being put into action...

Private firms propose to build, own, and operate atom plants designed to produce usable heat or electric power. They hope to sell this power to industry and homes.

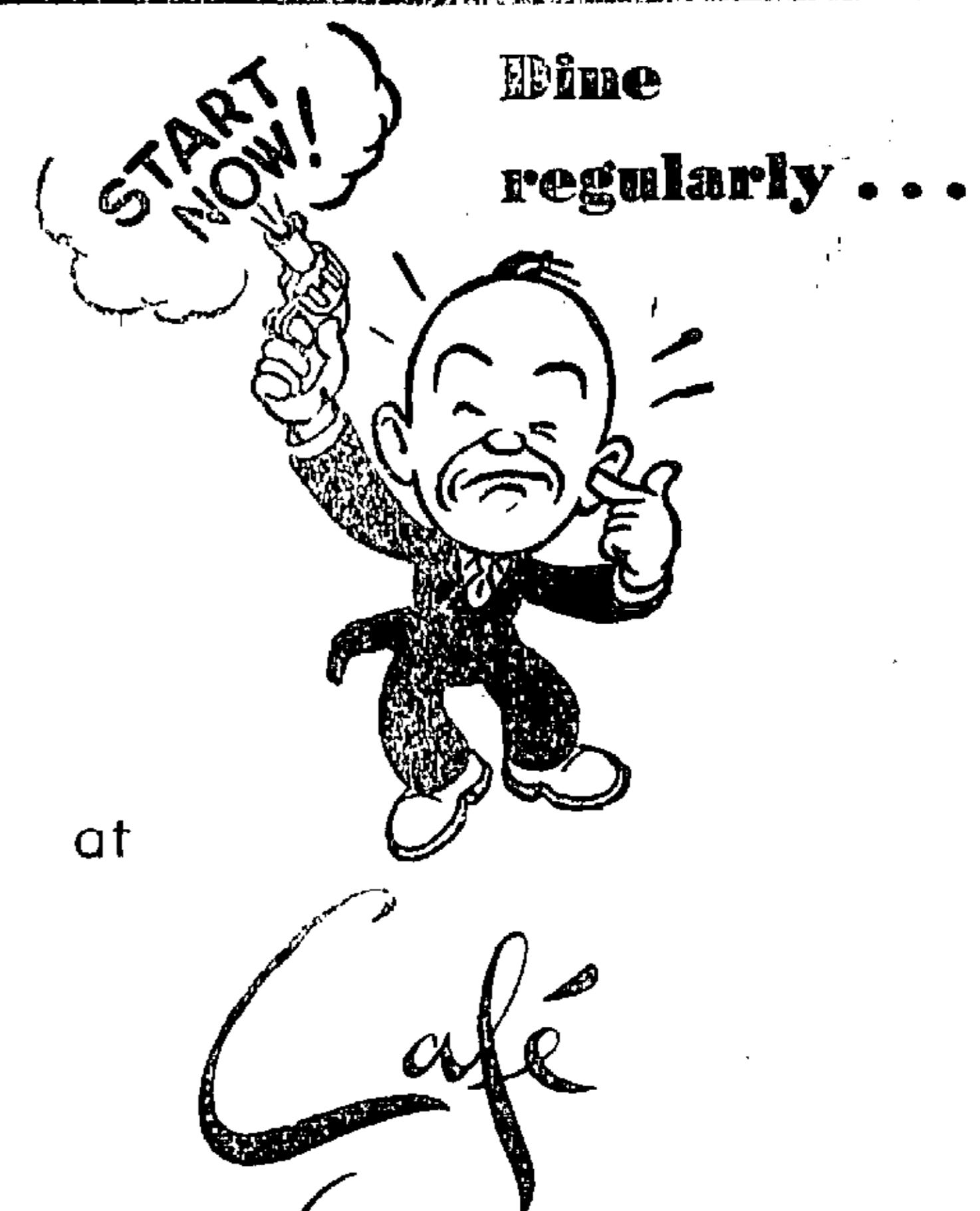
Cost of producing atom power would probably be higher than the cost of generating electricity from coal. But the firms have a brilliant idea to offset this.

Their plants would be designed to produce atom explosive as a by-product to the generation of power. By selling this explosive to the Government for use in weapons they will recoup themselves for any loss made on selling cheap power.

The Americans have not got better scientific brains than the British. It is American methods which have put the United States so far ahead.

We should copy these methods without a day's delay if we are not to remain also-rans in the "big bangs" race.

—(London Express Service.)



The astonishing story of the 'Lost' Soviet war brides

RUSSIA'S SECRET Police are now ready to close their thick dossiers on the case of the Soviet War Brides—one of the most shameful episodes in the history of Anglo-Soviet postwar relations.

That is the meaning behind the week's bizarre happenings outside the Bolshoi Theatre, Moscow, when Mrs Iraida Rickitt, the Soviet-born wife of an official at the Science Museum, London, was kidnapped and later "released."

Only one bride is now free, and she is virtually a prisoner in the British Embassy where she lives with her six-year-old son.

There were five of the original 15 war brides still at liberty in Moscow when I arrived there in October 1949 to take over the editorship of the Foreign Office's Russian magazine, British Ally.

I knew them all, shared their fears and their hopes, and occasionally acted as their escort. Only with someone enjoying diplomatic privileges could they move outside the gates of their homes.

Now that there is little, if any, hope left for their reprieve it is possible to tell the full story of their grim ordeal at the hands of the M.V.D.—the Secret Police—an ordeal which they bore for six years. —

by RICHARD JONES
Former editor of British Ally,
the magazine of the Foreign Office
published in Moscow.

Because they married foreigners and firmly refused to renounce their husbands they were ostracised by their own families.

Some were turned out of their homes; some found sanctuary in an old basement of the Press Department of the British Embassy. Two were permitted to stay on with their alien mothers.

No Russian would dare talk to them. They were banned from employment by any Soviet agency and deprived of all civil rights although they were regarded as Soviet citizens by the law.

A 24-hour guard on the gates of the Press Department ensured that they did not leave the premises unnoticed.

When they went outside with a member of the diplomatic staff they were tailed by plain-clothes men.

If they received callers the visitors had to show their identity documents to the militiaman on duty.

Inside they were spied on by the Russian staff. Two of them were employed as telephonists. Often, after mysterious telephone calls, I would find them in tears. They would never divulge the identity of the caller or the messages.

Occasionally plain-clothes detectives called on them. It was after one of these visits that two of the brides, Mrs Lola Burke, wife of an Ealing bank official, and Mrs Rosa Henderson, whose husband is now in Canada, attempted suicide.

Both took an overdose of aspirin and were found unconscious by another wife,

embassy who did not enjoy diplomatic status.

It was the moment for which the M.V.D.'s agents had been waiting.

It was her brother who betrayed her. As she was leaving a performance of the ballet at the Bolshoi he pointed her out to a squad of plain-clothes men. They pushed her into the car, which her escort had called and drove off.

Mrs Rickitt's brother did not meet her there by chance. He was there by arrangement with the police—it was the penalty he had to pay for his five years' failure to make her agree to divorce her British husband.

Nobody who has met Iraida Rickitt, and I knew her well, can doubt that it was under dire threats that she denied she was ever kidnapped.

Her friends, and they were many in the foreign community in Moscow, know that the story she told at an obviously arranged interview with the Western correspondents does not ring true.

It was here when the first of the five brides was kidnapped in June last year. Mrs Burke had gone to spend the night at the home of Mrs Bolton's mother. She left the house unaccompanied the following morning, and was bundled into a car and taken to the Lubianka Prison.

Attempts by embassy officials and her mother to see her failed. Nobody could find out on what charge she had been taken in. Nobody has heard of her since.

The four remaining brides were terrified. They rarely moved outside their quarters for six months.

Then one night in March this year Mrs Henderson went outside. Mrs Bolton disappeared a few days later. Neither has been heard of since.

Embassy officials were snubbed by the police authorities told it was not their business.

After these three disappeared, Mrs Hall and Mrs Rickitt were given quarters in an annex to the British Embassy grounds.

Outside the embassy gates uniformed guards reinforced by plain-clothes men also kept a constant watch on their movements.

Recently Mrs Rickitt made the fatal mistake of visiting the theatre with a member of the

But the M.V.D. have won half their battle with her. She will no longer have any contact with the world outside her mother's home. Her brother, an ardent Communist, is her guard.

She will not be allowed any foreign visitors. She is under close house arrest, though that is not the way the M.V.D. describe it.

She can easily be transferred, as other Soviet brides have, to a concentration camp without anyone being the wiser.

The other night I spoke on the telephone to a friend in Moscow who gave this reassuring message: "Nobody will break Ira's spirit. She's tough and will stand up, as she has done all the time, to any brow-beating."

Then came this ominous reminder from behind the Iron Curtain: "Don't forget this is being recorded" and the subject changed to the weather.

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Two big uranium furnaces have been built there. But they cannot be put into production until a plant to extract the explosive from them is completed.

A hint as to how long this will take is given by the fact that the atom bomb testing ground now being built in Australia will not be ready for about 18 months.

So by the time we test our first atomic bomb we shall be about three and a half years behind Russia

in the race for That Big Bang.

Lords know

AFTER visiting U.S. atom plants I gauge that we are seven to ten years behind the Americans.

Why has Britain lagged on so slowly?

Lord Cherwell, Winston Churchill's wartime adviser, pinpointed the cause in the House of Lords four months ago. Speaking for hundreds of other scientists he urged the Government to take the atom project out of the hands of the civil servants.

Bureaucrats may be able to move quickly when under the results-or else compulsion that exists in Russia, but not in a democracy.

We should copy these methods without a day's delay if we are not to remain also-rans in the "big bangs" race.

—(London Express Service.)

Go-getters

America's giant bomb plants are operated for the Government by private firms working on go-getting business principles.

Even the research laboratories, like the Argonne laboratory near Chicago which I toured, have been kept out of the Civil Service. They are run by universities with business men



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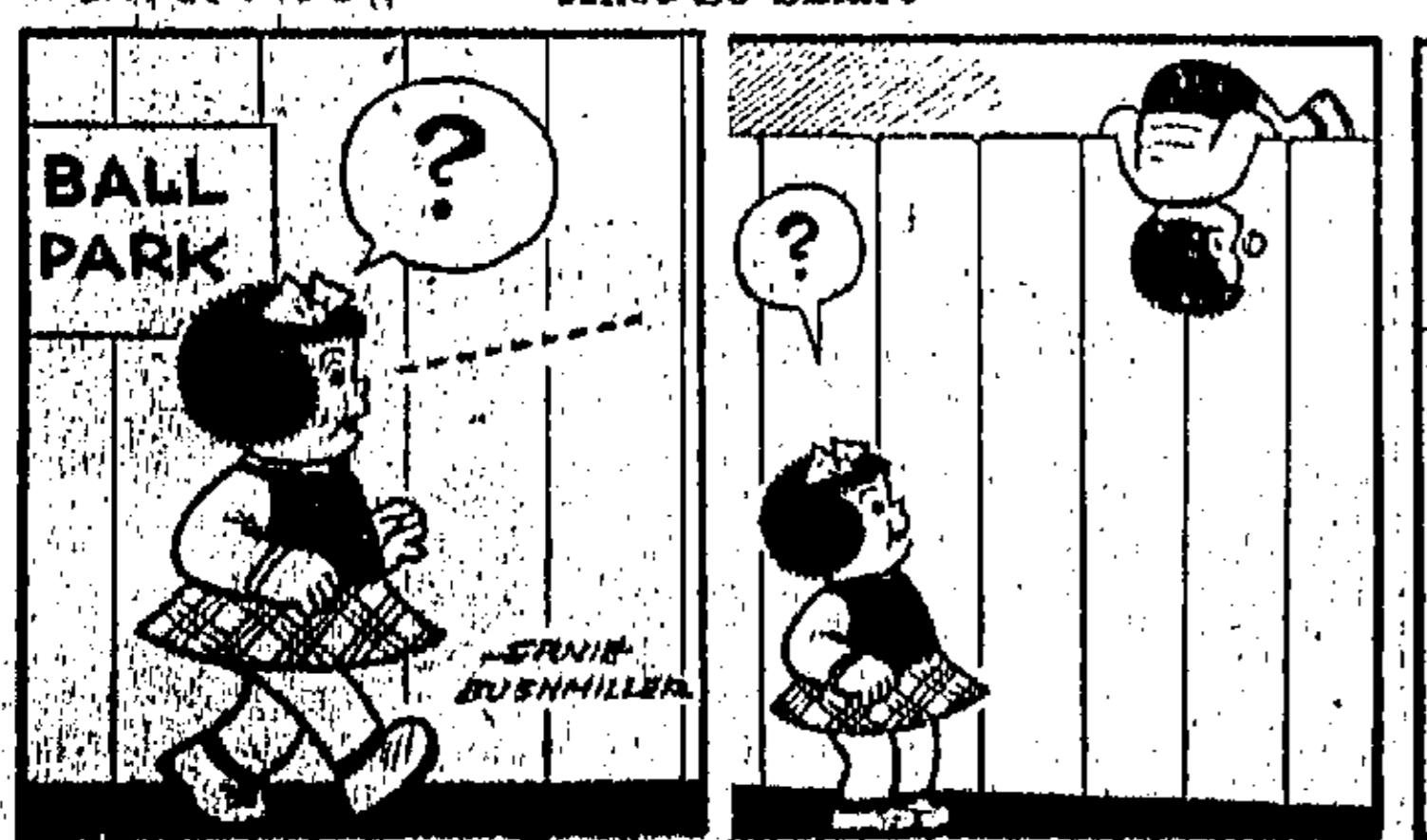
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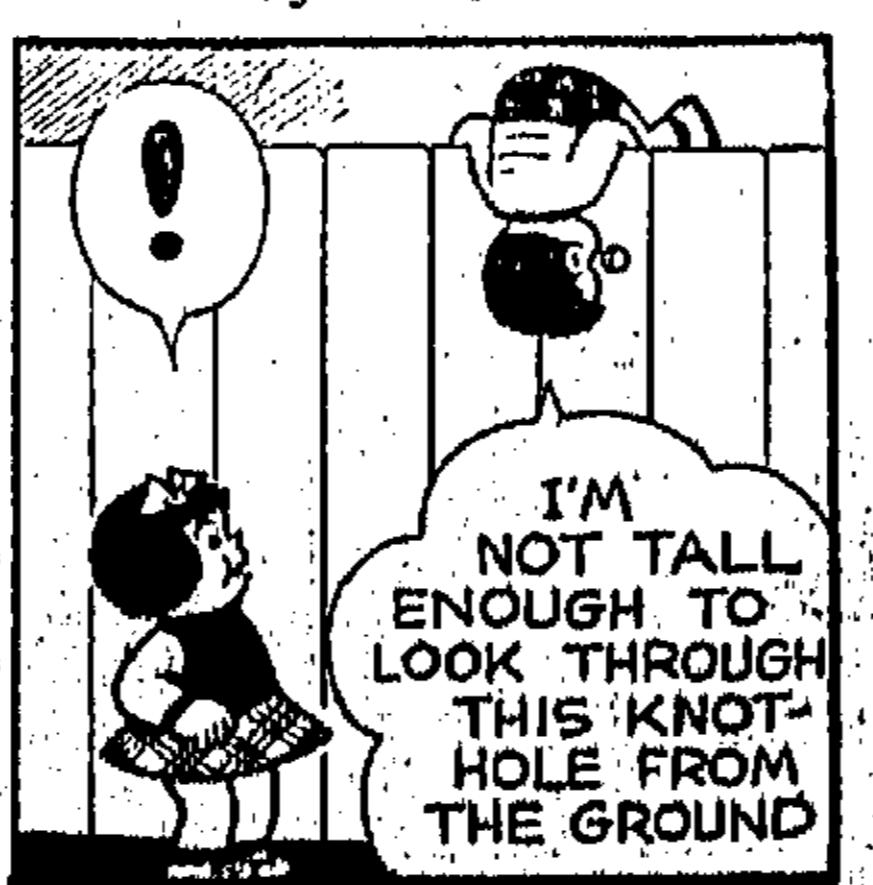
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By Ernie Bushmiller





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REPORT ON SOME INTERESTING EXPERIMENTS

ONE-DRINK DRIVERS

By Joseph Garrity

SEVERE tests which included "reversing on a seven-inch wide plank" have been carried out on 37 expert motorists in Sweden to test their reactions to alcohol.

Dr Leonard Goldberg of Sweden's Caroline Institute organised the experiment. The 37 drivers had to drive at speed out of L-shaped garage ways; steer in confined spaces, and brake and start in deep sand.

Their powers of concentration and judgment were carefully studied. Then the were split into two groups —drinkers and teetotallers.

Drinks were served to the drinkers and the test were resumed over the same course, all drivers being "apparently sober."

On the second run the drinkers were slower, but the teetotallers were 20 per

cent more successful than on the first attempt.

Dr Goldberg reports that the drinkers suffered from over-confidence, inferior judgment, and poor concentration.

DANGEROUS

One of them was unaware he had knocked down a row of marking poles; another did not know his car had slipped off the seven-inch plank.

A third became so furious at his failure to back on to the plank that he made 15 attempts without even changing his methods.

After analysing individual times and faults Dr Goldberg came to the

conclusion that "even a slight amount of alcohol causes a deterioration of between 25 and 30 percent in the driving performance of expert drivers."

This infuses the individual with a temporary happiness and sociability but leads to an impairment of judgment, concentration, self-criticism, and the power of estimating risks.

The scientific facts, says Dr Gorsky, present "serious objection to the consumption of alcohol, even in small amounts, by anyone who is to drive a car."

EXPLODED

The drink-improves-driving theory is exploded by a report on accidents, which states:

"Even where there is no function of drunkenness, a small quantity of alcohol is for many drivers most dangerous. It is essential that these drivers and the public should realise that under the influence of drink does not necessarily mean intoxication in the ordinary sense, but that driving skill is affected long before a man is consciously under the influence of alcohol."

How soon after taking a drink is it safe to drive?

No matter what quantity is imbibed the body cannot eliminate alcohol at a faster rate than 10 c.c. per hour. This means that the effects of one large whisky will not wear off completely until three hours after it has been swallowed.

Although the drivers in these tests were proved to be a road menace they were safe from the law.

They suffered no slurred speech, unsteady gait, or other signs of intoxication on which the police could base a charge.

Dr J. Arthur Gorsky, Metropolitan Police

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NEW YORK. An exotic new magazine which sells for \$2.10 a copy has just burst into life over here. It is designed, say the publishers, for "those" people who have never relished the banal or the commonplace."

And Gentry, as it is called, contains everything from a free sample of marjoram herb pasted on the cooking page to a complete (and also free) architect's blueprint on how to build a Finnish steam bath in your cellar.

"We doubt whether many of our readers will ever actually get down to the job of building a steam bath," says Gentry frankly. "But isn't it a pleasant idea to toy with?"

On an essay on "The melodies and rhythms in nature," "Don't we know," says Gentry, "that Beethoven composed a full symphony around such motifs? And won't it be impressive next time you walk through the countryside with a friend to say, 'That bird is chirping in E flat major 4-8 tempo?'"

STICK-ONS

Gentry is published, say its publishers, "for the 100,000 thinking men in America" (Total population of America is 150,000,000.)

There is a piece ("Not too many words," the editors say encouragingly) on old cars, but the magazine simply pictures the cars. Not much thinking to do about that.

A new clothes fashion is given and a sample of the fabric

attached to the page. Irresistible to the sense of touch. But no thinking involved here either.

The wildest addition is to a poem about wild geese—some sample goose quills. (This, possibly, at the insistence of Miss Cora Carlyle, one of the editors of this magazine for men, who once wrote a best-seller on how to get a husband.)

"The addition of stick-ons and samples," say the publishers, "introduces a new and effective kind of 'reading by touch.'

STAR PIECE

"After the first few pages—crammed with shirt and suit advertisements to which cuttings of the advertiser's cloth have been attached—you find yourself automatically running your hand over all the pictures in the magazine as soon as your eye falls on them, and whether anything is attached to them or not."

But, "What it means to be a man" is Gentry's star piece—worth the two dollars a copy for that alone," according to Gentry.

With the article comes at least two dollars' worth of materia medica in the form of three layers of stuck-on pictures. First layout shows a man's skeleton, then a picture of his muscles and sinews superimposed on top of that, and then on top of it all comes a picture of the figure of a Greek god.

"Gentry," says Gentry, "will either elate the top hundred thousand thinking men in this country, or be a miserable flop. Frankly we do not know which."



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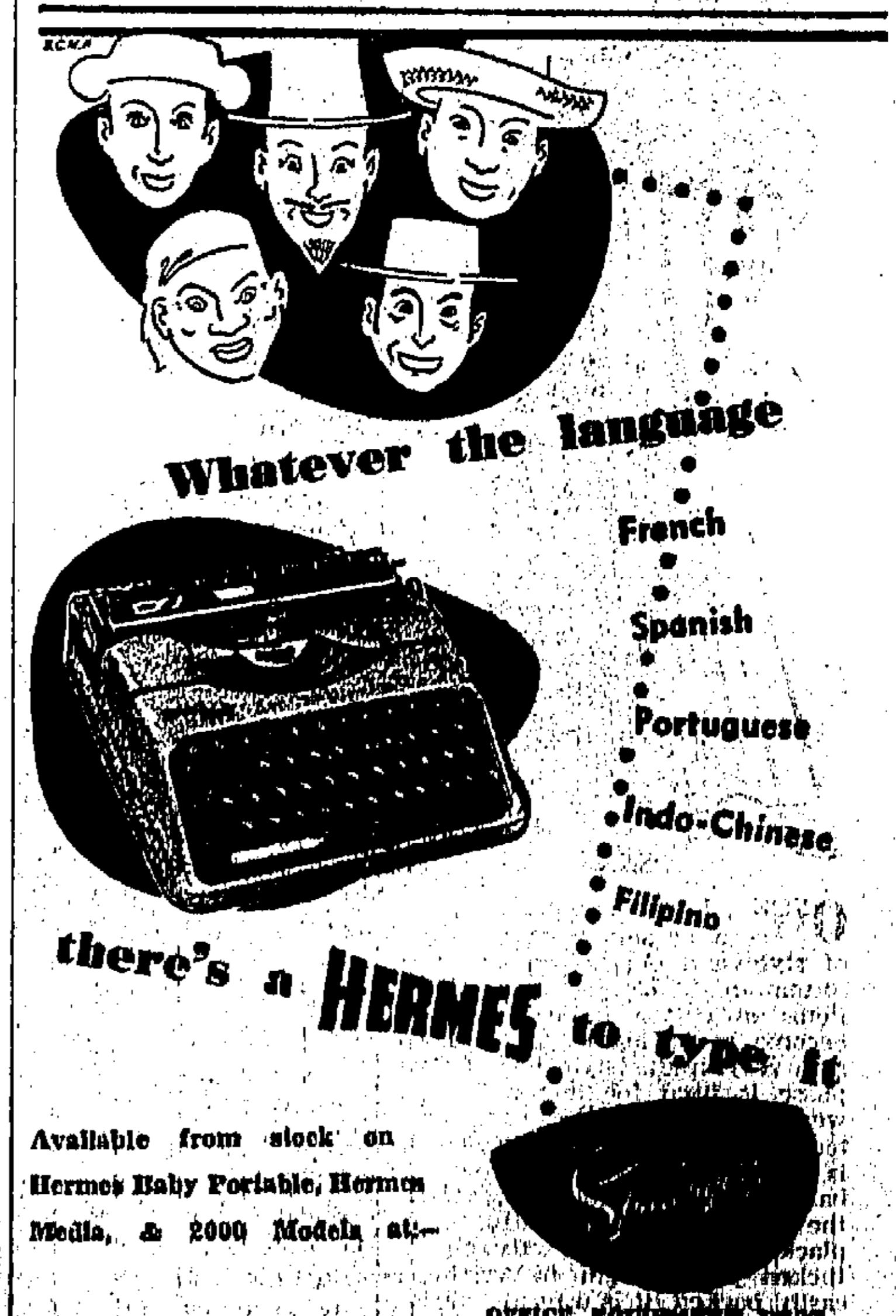
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WEEK-END WOMANSENSE

TWO-WAY FASHION TRAFFIC

By Dorothy Barkley

LONDON. TWO-WAY fashion traffic between London and Paris becomes more significant than ever with the showing in London of models by leading Paris couturiers and the sale in Paris of styles by a London designer.

Twenty-two leading Paris designers selected three of their new season's models, sent them to London where they were displayed in a splendid all-star show.



But the real star of the occasion was wool. It is curious how long it has taken fashion designers in general, and Paris in particular to realize how versatile this fabric is, and how suitable it is for all occasions from dawn to dusk.

Perhaps, if you happen to be sweltering under the tropical sun, or anticipating summer in the antipodes, wool clothes would seem to have no place at all in your wardrobe. But did you know that the weight of the finest wool is only one ounce per square yard? (Compare this with the average suit weight of thirteen ounces!)



SEA-BATH REDUCER

PARIS. FRENCH beauty experts say they have a new, quick method of reducing by sea-bathing in the bath.

The sea-bath, with motor-driven waves at the rate of two per second to beat off extra pounds painlessly, was a star attraction at the opening of the Salon of Woman and Beauty at the Palais du Glace, sponsored by Paris hairdressers.

All the ladies' deepest beauty secrets were out, as an audience, at least half male, crowded round stalls exhibiting bust developers, rubber massage rollers, chicken-embryo preparations to remove wrinkles, and the basic elements of powder, rouge and lipstick.

The sea-bath has French medical approval and is said to "wash away" as much as 35 pounds in a few weeks of 20-minute daily baths. It is a tank which fits into a bathtub, and makes nearly as much noise as genuine surf.

Colourful Lingerie



ONCE looked upon with scorn as something devoid of style and old fashioned, the cotton nightdress, like other items of cotton lingerie, has become a darling of the mode and very high style. Cotton lace is used for this one, a woven lace, "Guipure," a lace with a scalloped edge. The colour is a bright, sunny yellow with black lace trimmings. The style is a simple, flowing, "boudoir" for the bedroom, with a wide, full skirt and a pretty pin-tucked waist. Light in weight, easily packed, it is an ideal choice for a weekend or career girl, and the long sleeves make it right when nights grow a bit chilly.

BIG DATE? READY IN NO TIME!

By HELEN FOLLETT

EVERY girl should know how to look her best at short notice. It happens sometimes that you are planning a quiet, restful evening with that exciting mystery story when the telephone clangs. So one member of your special gang reports that a party is on and your delightful presence is requested. A big date will call for you. "Hohum! Why couldn't it have been another night after you had spent part of the day getting the works at the beauty shop?"

Suppose you have a half-hour at your disposal. Take an alternating hot and cold shower. Nothing like it to flood away the fatigue bugs of the day's activities. Give yourself a rubdown with a fragrant lotion to make you smell sweet. Dip a heavy washcloth in cold water, press it to your eyes, lie

HER SECRET OF SLIMNESS

Vera-Ellen, petite Hollywood dancing star, let British fans into the secret of her 19-inch waist when on location in England with David Niven and Ceser Romero for sequences in "Happy Go Lovely." At 6:30 every morning Vera-Ellen started early, rising Britons by going for a thirty-minute run in Hyde Park. "Exercise and stretching exercises keep me in shape," she confided.

Suppose you have a half-hour at your disposal. Take an alternating hot and cold shower. Nothing like it to flood away the fatigue bugs of the day's activities. Give yourself a rubdown with a fragrant lotion to make you smell sweet. Dip a heavy washcloth in cold water, press it to your eyes, lie

down for five minutes to catch your breath and compose your mind.

Go over your face and neck with a cleansing cream; pat it in to bring colouring. Remove the cream with tissues, then

use an astringent. It's nice to resort to a powder base of the same colouring as your skin, but be sure to include your neck so there will not be a low-water mark.

Cream rouge will stay by you longer than the compact if the party is to be one that continues into the wee small hours. Put it on in dots, then blend. Cream rouge is not as popular as it should be.

So far, so good. If your frock is a slip-over affair you cannot arrange your hairdo before you get into it. Be sure to protect the shoulders of your dress so no stray hairs will be there after you have put your waves and curls in order. Then apply lipstick.

The bath, the rub down, the session with make-up will create a certain stimulation. The day's weariness will be forgotten. The girl who looks tired in the mirror is another creature with eyes sparkling, complexion clear, frolio in apple-pie order. And it all can be done in thirty minutes by the clock.

The ANNE EDWARDS Column

BREAKAWAY PRINCESS

LONG LIVE the New Princess! Newly slender, newly elegant, and so pretty. In the pictures of the royal tour, Princess Elizabeth cuts a figure of elegance that she has never shown before.

Here are dressmaking suits, the large and lavish hats, the pestles, the general air of an unsophisticated little girl dressing up as a Princess.

In place of the slim skirts that aren't slim enough, the full skirts that are only moderately full. In place of the nervous approach to any new fashion—here is a young woman of unassuming elegance with small hats, shorter hair, expensively simple suits. And a sensational, fashionably outline.

How was it happened? More than half the reason is the Princess's own decision to take her dressing seriously.

Her first move was to pick a dressmaker: for herself.

She chose Mr. Hardy Amies, a man who made his name in tailored clothes, a man who has never made anything for the Royal Family before.

And having picked her man, she has worn his designs without altering a line.

Long live the Tailormade Princess, say I. She has broken away, at last from the haze of pastel blue that has dominated every handbook on What A Princess Should Wear.

FAVOURITE—for the head chef

★ WHAT does the wife of a top-rank chef cook for the chef's dinner? One woman's answer comes from Madame Avignen.

LEFT SUIT in thick bobby jersey. *New for the Princess.* ONE: The same leaf tan colour. TWO: The nipped waist and slightly rounded hipline achieved with a canvas lining. Three: The "Duster coat" in the same yellow jersey lined with matching otton silk.

MAGGY ROUFF'S black wool dress with pleated skirt. (Fashion note: the belt, placed high, and embroidered with sequins; below centre).

MAGGY ROUFF'S black wool dress with draped collar, in dusty pink; below left).

And there are the usual Parisian details—"fads" as we call them here: a dress with a one-sided basque, or an umbrella with a belt—in working order in the handle.

All this was fascinating for the average woman with a desire to be fashionable; it was also tantalizing, for the price of each dress was in the region of £200!

While London women are admiring these Paris fashions, copies of styles by Norman Hartnell were on sale in Paris shops at a fraction of the cost of their originals. It is reported that they are selling "like hot cakes."

ABOVE DRESS AND COAT in a rich slate blue figured silk. *New for the Princess.*

ONE: The impossibly full skirt held out with a stiffened underskirt of net. TWO: The simplicity of the neckline. THREE: The full-skirted dress in the same figured silk which she wears under the coat.

LEFT DRESS AND JACKET in light-weight fine-ribbed wool, in finely checked in pale blue and black that the total effect is aubergine blue. *New for the Princess.*

ONE: The bone straight skirt. TWO: The nipped waist with a belt. THREE: The full collar of velvet.

"Best of all he likes a local dish from his home near Vichy, they call it Pot au Poissons de Terre."

"Takes medium potatoes thinly sliced, one onion finely chopped, all mixed with parsley and pepper and salt and placed into a sponge tin lined with thin short crust; six lumps of butter over the top, then the lid of thin short crust, and then bake it."

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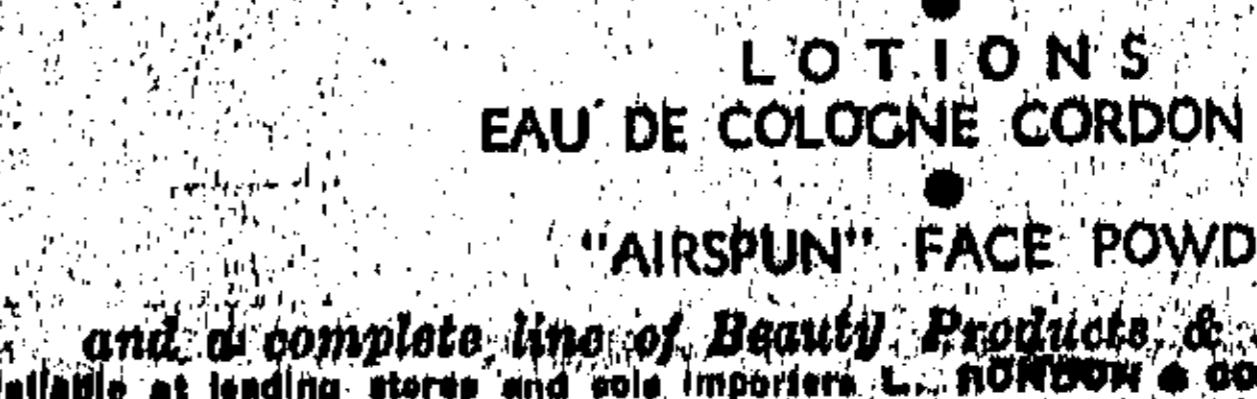
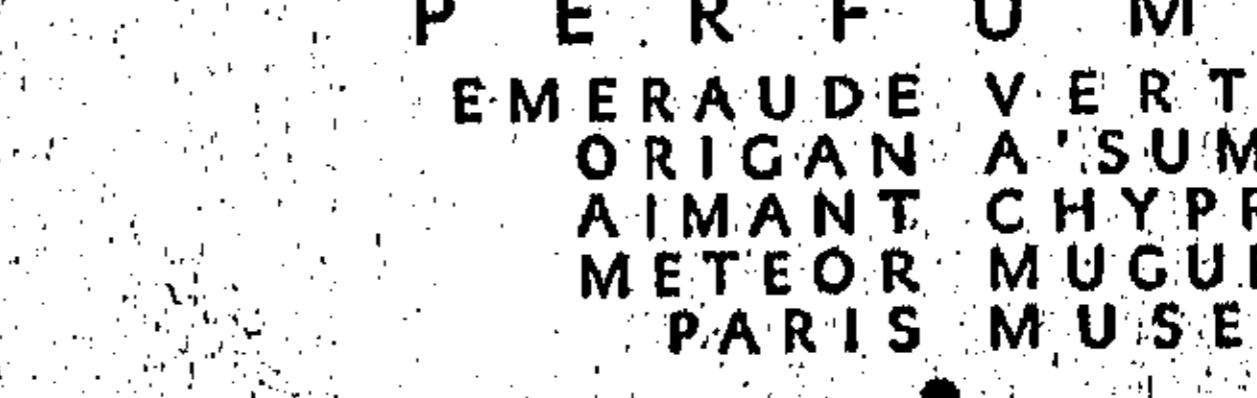
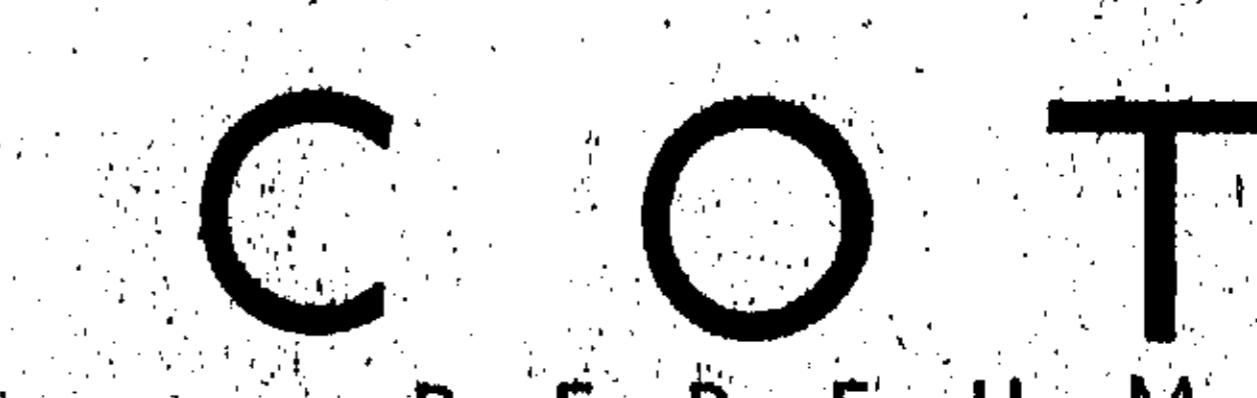
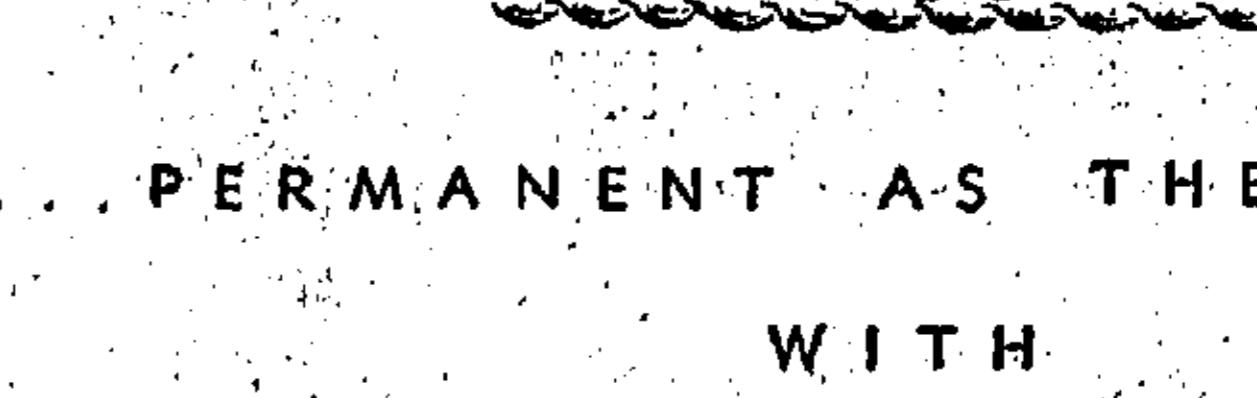
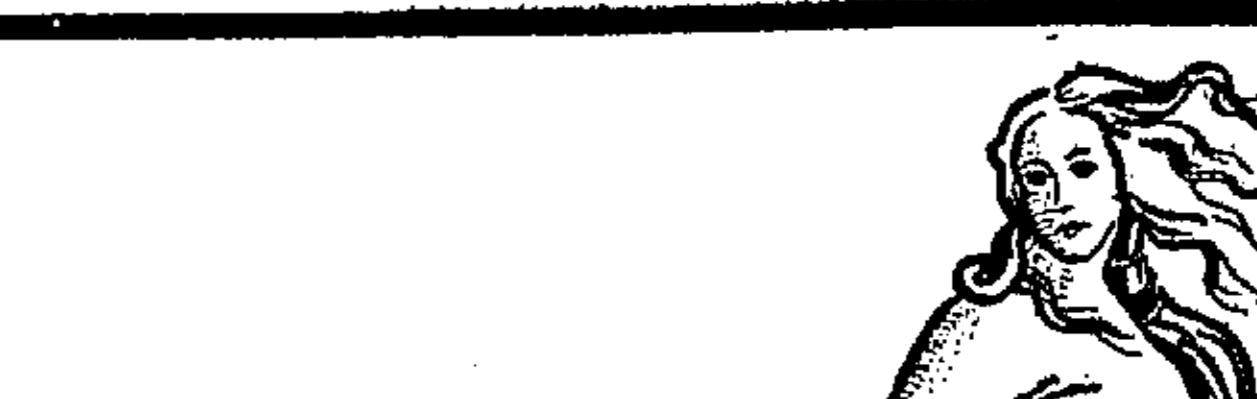
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LADY Grantham, with the artist, at the exhibition of Miss Shao Yoo hsien's water colours at the Jacobean Room this week. The show attracted a large number of visitors. (Staff Photographer)



GROUP picture taken at the Union Church on the occasion of the christening of Michael William, son of Mr and Mrs R. T. Aberly, last Saturday. (Roy Tsang)



LEFT: Another christening group outside St John's Cathedral after the baptism of Anthony Robert, son of Mr and Mrs S. Innes. (Ming Yuen)



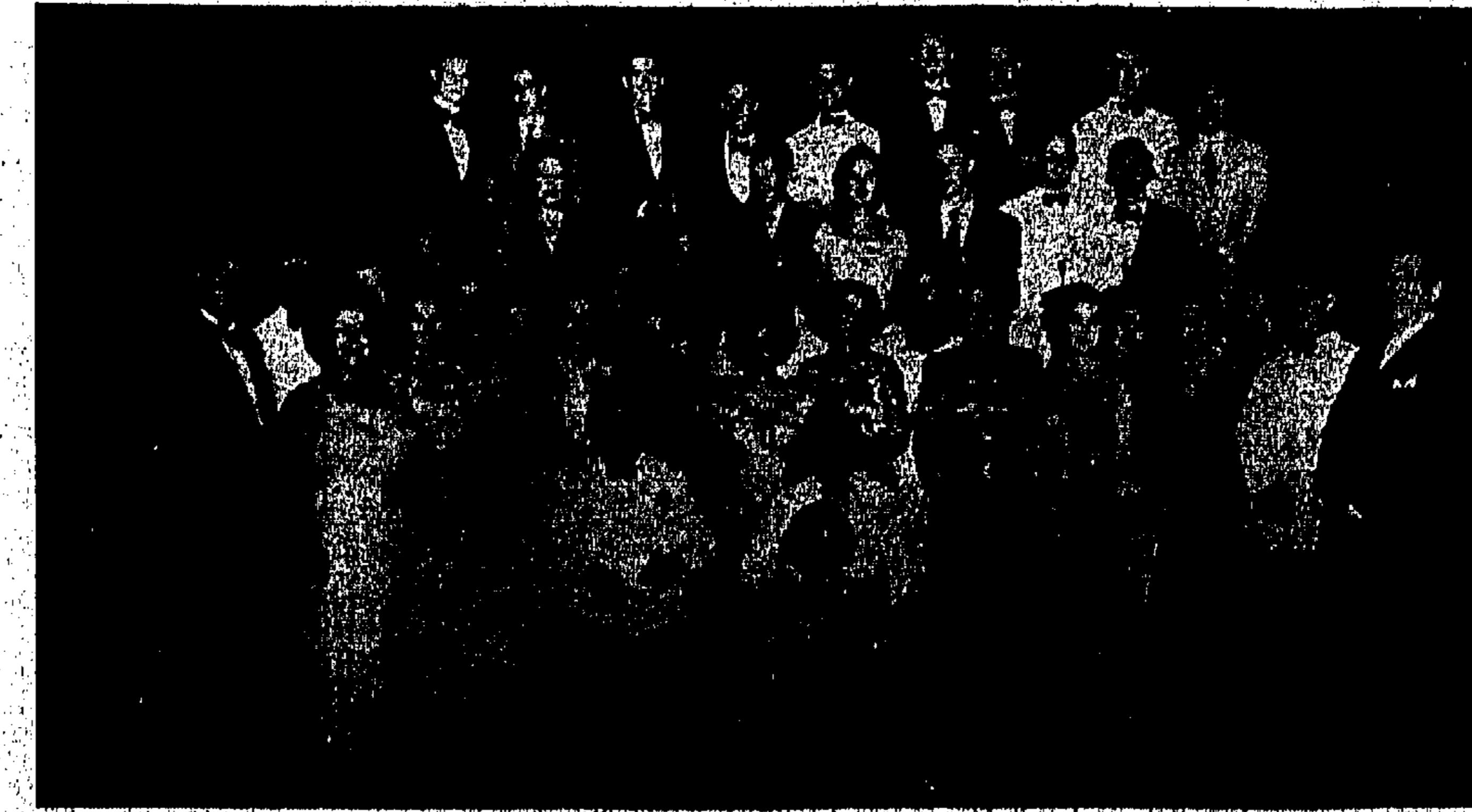
THE official table at the Kowloon Rotary Club ball, held at the Peninsula Hotel last week. In centre is His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, with Mr W. S. T. Louey, President of the Club, on his left. Mr G. E. Marden, Director of Rotary International, is seated second from left, and on extreme right is Mr Kwok Chan, President of the Hongkong Rotary Club. (Staff Photographer)



MR Guy Manwaring Longley and Miss Barbara Joyce Beck photographed with friends after their wedding at the Kowloon Union Church last week. (Staff Photographer)



MR Human Foo and Miss Stella Chan, who were married at the Registry recently. (Ming Yuen)



ALEX Darkin (seated in centre), son of Chief Inspector and Miss W. N. Darkin, celebrated his 21st birthday on Thursday. A large party was given to mark the occasion. (Staff Photographer)



THE large turn-out of bowlers at the Club de Recreio recently to compete for the Memorial Cup. The cup was presented as a mark of respect to the Club's lawn bowls enthusiasts who died in the last war.



MR Kailo Chu and his bride, formerly Miss Cheng Mou-lum, pictured at their wedding reception recently. (Peter Tse)



MR and Mrs P. G. McMahon with their daughter, Barbara Elizabeth, pictured after her christening at the Rosary Church last week. (Staff Photographer)

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THE Precious Blood Orphanage was one of the social welfare institutions which His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, visited on Wednesday. Scene shows the Governor's welcome at the Orphanage. (Staff Photographer)



MR Leong Hoe-ying, manager of the Malayan badminton team, replying for the visitors at the dinner given in their honour by the Hong Kong Badminton Association. (Staff Photographer)



GROUP picture taken at the party celebrating Miss Margaret Siu's eighteenth birthday. The hostess is seated in the centre. (Mainland Studio)



LEFT: Mr Hui Wan-lai and Miss To Yin-lan with their attendants after their wedding at the Holy Trinity Church. (Mainland Studio)



SCENES of the "Get Acquainted" dinner held at the Peninsula Hotel by the St John's University Alumni Association. In upper picture, the speaker is the Association's President, Mr David Au.



MEN of the 14 Field Regiment, Royal Artillery, marching to Kowloon Wharf on their departure for Korea on Thursday. They travelled in the troopship, Empire Pride. (Staff Photographer)



VIRGINIA, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. C. Gonsalves, celebrated her fifth birthday recently. This picture was taken at her birthday party. Virginia is in centre, standing on the couch. (Staff Photographer)



THE large number of friends of Mr Lee Ting-wei (seated centre) who gathered at a party to wish him bon voyage before his departure to take up post-graduate studies in London. (Ming Yuen)



RIGHT: Pianoforte pupils of Mrs A. Nozadze who gave a recital at the Peninsula Hotel recently. (Mayfair)



PROFESSOR K. E. Priestly distributing prizes at the annual graduation day of St Stephen's Girls' College on Thursday. (Staff Photographer)



MR Ronald Peck and Miss Rosaline Ooi, whose wedding took place at the Peninsula Hotel last week. (Mainland Studio)

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BROOKE REPLIES TO STALIN'S CHARGES

THE third plenary session [of the Teheran Conference] began as before in the Russian Legation at four o'clock [on Nov. 30, 1943]. There was a full attendance and we numbered nearly 30.

The President said he was very happy to inform the Conference that agreement had been reached on the main military problems. Sir Alan Brooke said that after a long and combined session, the United States and British Chiefs of Staff had recommended us to launch "Overlord" [the 1944 cross-Channel operation] in May, "in conjunction with a supporting operation against the South of France, on the large scale that was permitted by the landing craft available at that time."

I then emphasized the need for the combined U.S. and British Staffs to keep in close touch with the Soviet military authorities, so that the orders on the Eastern front, as the Western and Mediterranean fronts were called, might be better coordinated. Great Britain would be the first to be attacked, so the war must be fought on the Western front. Very often the Staffs would be engaged in joint planning. Very often the Staffs would be engaged in launching "Overlord" which was the bigger concern, and I even planned

Stalin said that he understood the importance of the decisions taken by the Staffs and the difficulties involved in carrying them out. The longer period for "Overlord" would be at the time of deepest winter, from the landing of depots, from the landing of Axis' point the Germans might transfer troops from the east in order to create the maximum difficulties for "Overlord". In order to prevent any movement from the east of any considerable German forces he undertook to organize a large-scale Russian offensive in May.*

Importance of timing

THE President remarked on the importance of the timing of operations in all theatres. Now that the three Staffs had got together, he hoped they would keep together. He had already informed Macmillan that the next step was "to appeal" to the Commander-in-Chief for "Overlord". After consultation with his own Staffs and with me, it still not be possible to make a decision within three or four days.

Now that the main military decisions had been taken, it seemed right for the British and American Staffs to return to Cairo as soon as possible to work out the details. To this Stalin and I agreed. I added that now that the supreme decisions had been taken every effort must be bent to find the ways and means to get more landing-craft. If "Overlord" was to be done it must be done with smashing force, and I hoped that the Staffs would find ways and means of increasing the initial assault forces.

I asked if there would be any difficulty in the three Staffs con-

*The main Russian attack began on June 23.

regarding code plans. Stalin explained that the Russians had made considerable use of deception by means of dummy tanks, aircraft and artifacts. Radio deception had also proved effective. He was entirely agreeable to the Staffs collaborating with the object of devising joint code and deception schemes.

"It was me," I said, "which is so precious that she should always be attended by a bodyguard of lies." Stalin and his comrade greatly appreciated this remark when it was translated, and upon his note our formal conference ended early.

Dinner at Embassy

HITHERTO we had assembled for our conferences of meals in the Soviet Embassy. I had claimed, however, that I should be the host at the third dinner, which should be held in the British Legation. This could not be disputed. Great Britain and I myself both came first alphabetically, and in seniority I was four or five years older than Roosevelt. Stalin. We were by now the Engies, as chairman of the three governments, I might have add I, but did not, that we had been the longest in the war and, finally Nov. 30 was my 60th day.

These arguments, particularly the last one, were conclusive, and all preparations were made by our Minister in a dinner of nearly 40 persons, including myself, the political and military heads, but one of the highest staff. The Soviet Political Police, the NKVD, insisted on searching the British Legation for any possible spy, but I myself, as well as the other members of the staff, had been in the room, including even the under cover cushion, before Stalin appeared and about 50 armed Russian policemen, under the own general, passed when I gave them the domes and

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Happy speech by Hopkins

HOPKINS made a speech couched in a happy vein, in the course of which he said that he had made a "very long and thorough study of the British Constitution, which is unwritten, and of the War Cabinet, whose authority and composition are not specifically defined". As the result of this study, he said, "I have learned that the provisions of the British Constitution and the powers of the War Cabinet are just what Winston Churchill wants them to be at any given moment." This caused general laughter.

This was a memorable occasion in my life. On my right was President of the United States, on my left the master of Russia. Together we controlled practically all the naval and air quarters of all the air forces in the world, and could direct armies of nearly 20 million men, engaged in the most terrible of wars that had yet occurred in human history.

Long road to victory

I COULD not help rejoicing at the long way we had come on the road to victory since the summer of 1940, when we had been alone, and apart from the Navy and the Air, practically unarmed, against the triumphant and unbroken might of Germany and Italy, with almost all Europe and its resources in their grasp.

Mr. Roosevelt gave me for a birthday present a beautiful Persian porcelain vase, which, al-

though it was broken into fragments on the homeward journey, was soon marvellously reconstructed and is one of my treasures.

During dinner I had a most pleasant conversation with both my august guests. Stalin repeated the question he had posed at the Conference, "Who will command 'Overlord'?" I said that the President had not yet finally made up his mind, but that I was almost certain it would be Gen. Marshall, who was opposite us at no great distance, and that was how it had stood before.

He was evidently very pleased at this. He then spoke about Gen. Brooke. He thought that he did not like the Russians. He had been very abrupt and rough with them at our first Moscow meeting in August, 1942. I reassured him, thinking his military men would be bound to be blunt and hard-cut when dealing with war problems with their professional colleagues. Stalin said that he liked them all the better for that. He gazed at Brooke silently across the room.

As I moved around I saw Stalin in a small circle face to face with "Brooke," as I call him. The General's account continues:

"As we walked out of the room the Prime Minister told me that he had had somehow nervous as to what I should say next when I had referred to 'truth' and 'lies'. He comforted me however by telling me that my reply to the last had had the right effect on Stalin.

"I therefore decided to return to the attack in the anteroom. I went up to Stalin and told him how surprised I was, and grieved, that he should have found it necessary to raise such accusations against me in his treat. He replied at once through Pavlov, 'The best friendships are those founded on misunderstandings, and I shake me warmly by the hand.'

It was very much surprised by these accusations, as I could not think what they were based on. I had, however, seen enough of Stalin by then to know that if I sat down under these insults I could do any respect he might ever have had for me, and that he would continue such attacks in the future. I therefore rose to thank the President most profusely for his very kind expressions, and then turned to Stalin to apprise him of the following words:

Misled by dummies

"NOW, Marshal, may I deal with your toast. I am surprised that you raise accusations against me that are entirely unfounded. You will remember that this morning while we were discussing the cover plan, Mr. Churchill said that 'in war you must have an ace of lies.' You will also remember that you yourself said that in all your great offences your real intentions were always kept concealed from the outer world. You told us that all your dummy tanks and dummy aeroplanes were always massed on those fronts that were of an immediate interest, while your true intentions were covered by a cloak of complete secrecy.

"Well, Marshal, you have been misled by dummy tanks and dummy aeroplanes and you have failed to observe those feelings of true friendship which I have for the Red Army, nor have you seen the feelings of genuine comradeship which I bear towards all its members."

As this was translated by Pavlov, sentence by sentence, to Stalin I watched his expression carefully. It was inscrutable. But at the end he turned to me

and said with evident relish, "I like that man. He rings true. I must have a talk with him afterwards."

At length we moved into the anteroom, and here everyone moved about in changing groups. I felt that there was a greater sense of solidarity and good-comradeship than we had ever reached before in the Grand Alliance. I had not invited Randolph and Sarah [Mrs. Churchill's second daughter] to the dinner, though they came in while my birthday toast was being proposed, but now Stalin singled them out and greeted them most warmly, and of course the President knew them well.

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Respect and goodwill

"IT seemed to me that all the clouds had passed away, and in fact Stalin's confidence in my friend was established on a foundation of respect and goodwill which was never shaken while we all worked together.

It must have been after 10 o'clock in the morning when we finally separated. The Marshal returned himself to his escort and departed and the President was conveyed to his quarters in the Soviet Embassy. I went to bed tired but content, feeling sure that nothing but good had been done. It certainly was a happy birthday for me.

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(MORE ON MONDAY)

MOSLEM WORLD FACES STALIN

By Vaughan Jones

THE Communist Front looms across the trouble spots of the Moslem world.

Watching from his crenellated Kremlin, Stalin must be pondering how he can later weave the incidents of riot and bloodshed into plans for Red expansion.

At present it is the Moslem fanatic, the ultra-nationalist, as well as the Communist gunman who seeks to replace peaceful evolution by the acts of force.

And Britain and Britain's friends amongst the Moslems have been their recent target.

1. In Egypt, rioting mobs have beaten British installations. Egyptian troops have clashed with British soldiers in backing King Farouk's demand that Britain quit her guard posts along her Empire lifeline, the Suez Canal.

2. In Persia, the extremists, gaining popular sympathy and then government support, summarily ordered Britain's oil men to quit their 2,800,000-barrel refinery at Abadan.

3. In Pakistan, Britain's friend and moderate statesman, Premier Liaquat Ali Khan, about to deliver a speech at Karachi, was assassinated by an Afghan.

4. In Malaya, Britain's well-known High Commissioner, Sir Henry Gurney, was assassinated by Chinese-led Red terrorists as he travelled by car from Kuala Lumpur to a mountain holiday resort.

The violence done to Britain must please the Kremlin's chiefs. Yet Stalin may be suspicious of the growing resurgence of the Arab world under the bond of Islam.

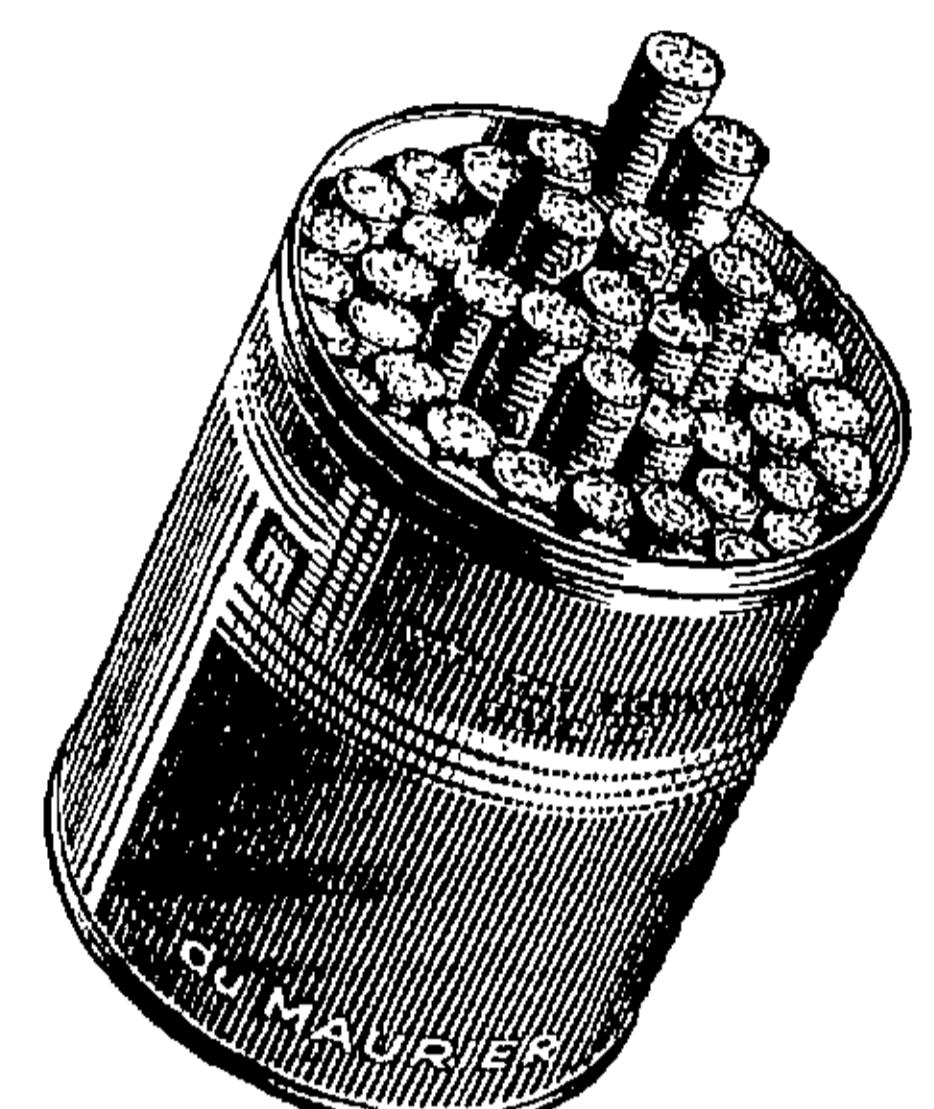
United in the 40 million strong Arab League, Egypt, Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Saudi Arabia and Yemen are pressing for the gradual "liberation" of the remaining 40 million Arabs ranging between Tangier and Kuwait now under foreign administration.

And in turn they have the backing of another 200 million Moslems throughout the world who already dream of a vast Moslem League.

Stalin perhaps hears the Imam's call as he cries across Africa and Asia from his minaret. "God is great, God is great. There is no God except One, and Mohamed is his prophet."

He knows that so long as Islam remains a powerful force, even with few arms, Communism's spread southwards must be stemmed.

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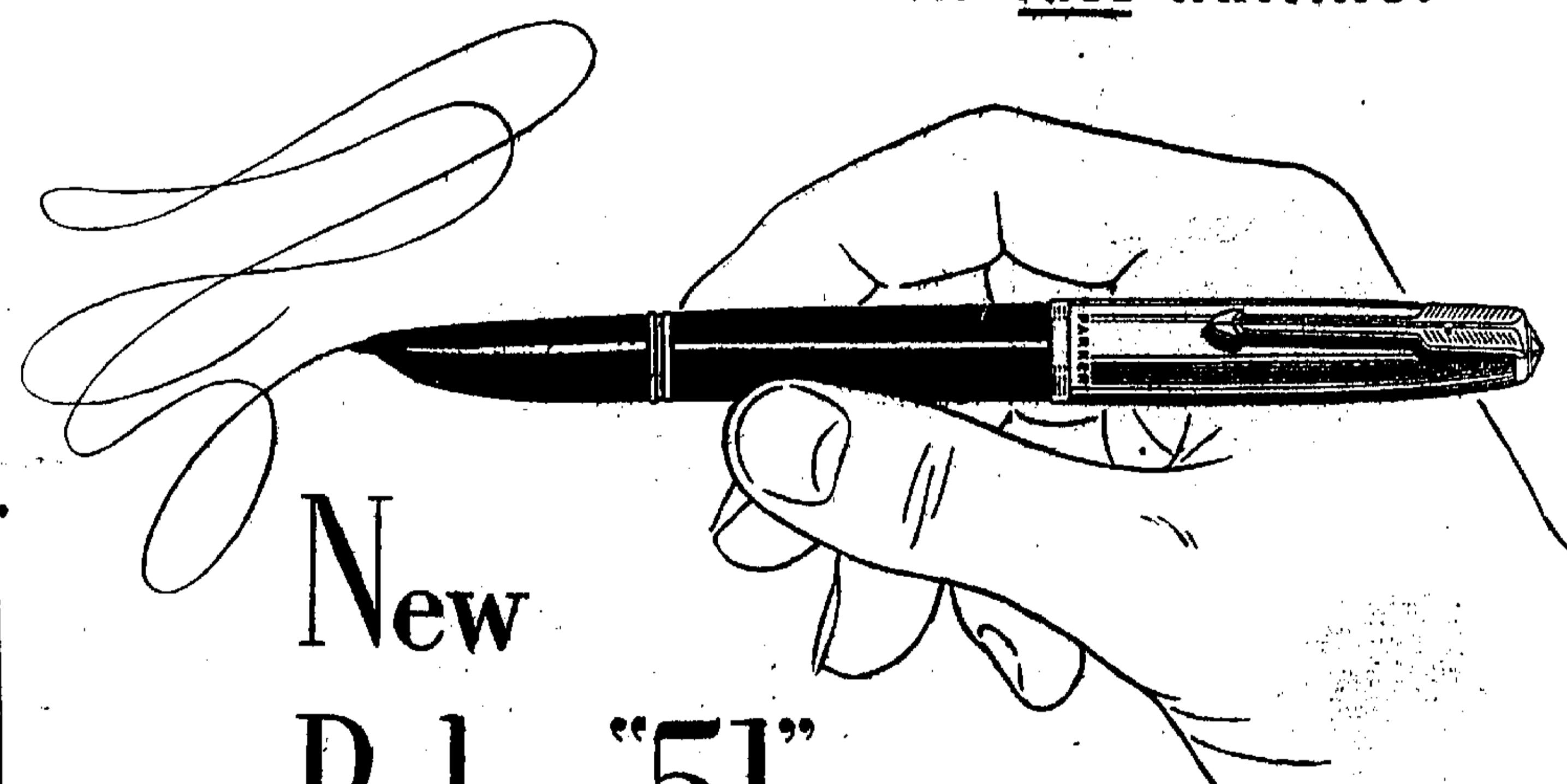
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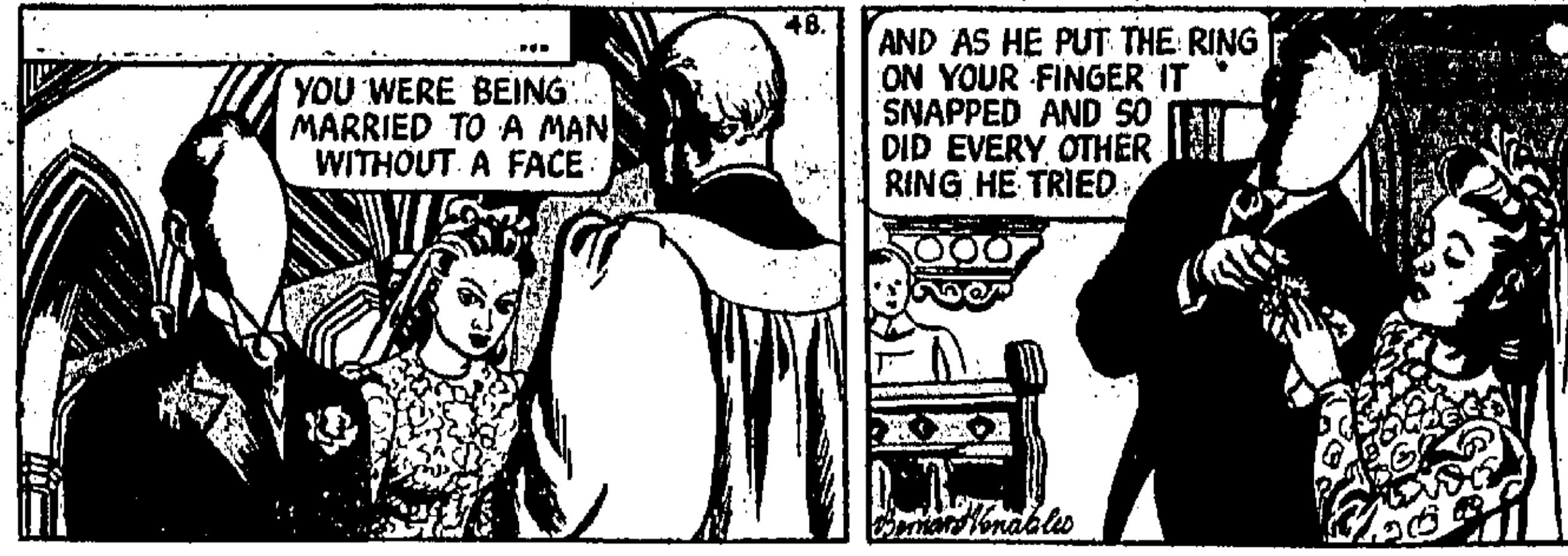
CAMPBELL'S CHERRY COUGH SYRUP
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THIS DREAM MEANS:

This dream reveals your secret misgivings — you have not yet dared to admit them even to yourself — about the man you contemplate marrying.

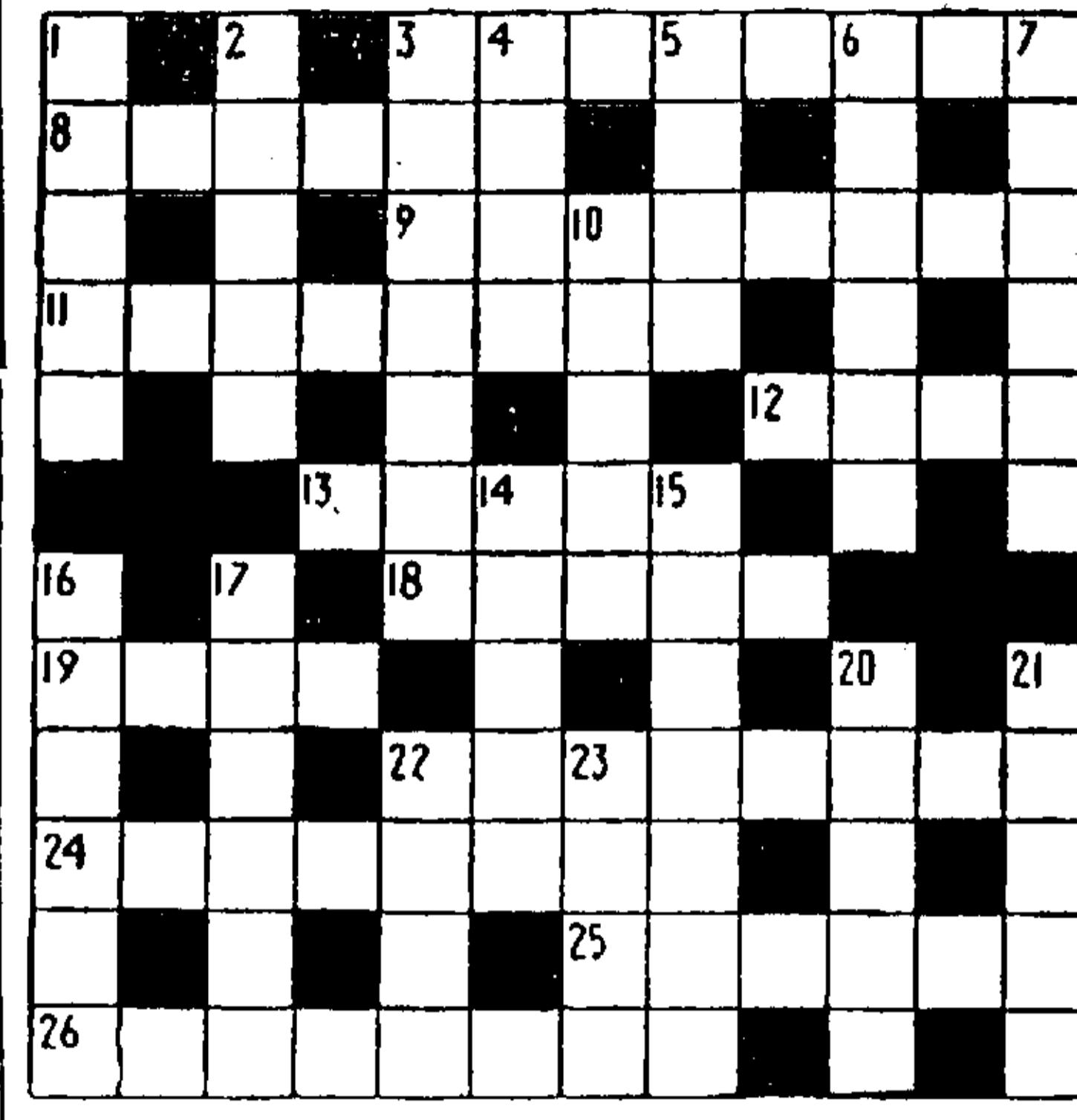
You feel

that his personality (symbolised by his face) is blank and means nothing to you. Accepting his ring would be a symbol of your readiness to love him faithfully and completely; evidently you doubt both his ability to hold you and yours to



accept him as the dominant figure in your life. The dream is trying to help you to face the unpalatable facts: unless your maternal instinct is unusually strong or your desire for the lover in a man comparatively weak, it would be unwise to marry a man you do not respect.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

DOWN

3 Sent to the bottom (8).
8 Ornamental cave (6).
9 Fame (8).
11 Soft drink (8).
12 Equal (4).
13 Rich man (5).
14 Colour (5).
19 Metal (4).
22 Scatler (8).
24 Undying (8).
25 Mild (6).
26 Falls back (8).

1 Spry (5).
2 Spacious (5).
3 Cut-out design (7).
4 Stupor (4).
5 Quality of sound (4).
6 Bird (6).
7 Dismal (6).
10 Perfect (5).
14 Finger (5).
15 Specimen (7).
16 Orient (6).
17 As usual (6).
20 Anger (5).
21 Confusion (5).
22 Let fall (4).
23 Wise (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD. — Across: 3 Buccal, 7 Lapise, 8 Garrison, 10 Atomic, 13 Silence, 15 Oust, 17 Elevens, 18 Realise, 20 Adds, 21 Scenery, 26 Treble, 27 Converse, 28 Cheer, 29 District. Down: 1 Alias, 2 Spool, 3 Bc-gum, 4 Cure, 5 Rescue, 6 Tenets, 9 Accres, 11 Tired, 12 Meals, 14 Elects, 15 Ovine, 16 Snarl, 18 Rancid, 19 Amons, 22 Erect, 23 Elbod, 24 Yearn, 25 Pear.

The SNAPSHOT GUILD

CALL TO COLOUR

SOONER or later almost everyone who uses black-and-white films feels the urge to try colour. For colour adds a whole new dimension to the picture-taker's world. The green of ladding to the blue of the sky, all the colours which surround us in our lives—all make it only natural that we should want to capture their beauty on film.

With modern colour films we can do this almost as easily as we make our everyday black-and-white shots. The same basic picture-taking techniques that make for good monochrome make for good colour shots. And there's a colour film available for almost every type of camera.

So, if you haven't tried colour yet, chances are you will want to. When you do, you will want to study exposure more carefully than if using black-and-white films. For exposure is the hurdle on which the beginner in colour is most likely to trip.

There's one other point that it will pay you to remember when you start using colour. Avoid heavy shadows on your subjects. Shadows often make for striking effects in black-and-white shots, but—as a general rule—with colour full, frontal lighting is preferred. For shots of people, particularly, have the sunlight streaming over your left or right shoulder when you click the shutter.

But try for yourself. You'll find in colour new pleasure in your picture taking. Your photographic dealer will tell you what type of colour film is best suited for use in your camera.

—John van Guilder

posure for a given scene is 1/50 at f/11, an exposure of 1/50 at f/8 or f/10 will generally yield a fair print.

Colour films have somewhat less latitude than this. You need to judge exposure more carefully. And for best results it's ideal to hit exposure on the nose.

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How do you do this? The best way we know is by using a handy, pocket exposure guide. Such a guide gives the basic information needed for proper exposure of almost any type of subject: for clear or overcast days or indoors. And the 10 or 20 cents which you pay for a guide of this type is well spent if it saves you the disappointment of colour shots poorly exposed.

Olivia impresses the reader unfavourably as one of those Finer Things that can easily be omitted from a cultural pilgrimage, and there are few regrets when she deserts Hayden for a more photogenic pilgrim from Hollywood. Hayden consorts himself with Roxanna, a rowdy woman journalist from back home in Newlife.

These emotional cross-crossings are of little consequence in a novel whose main concern is to record the response to Italy of one earnest American in

by . . . GEORGE
MALCOLM THOMSON

search of a "background." This is a story of mild philandering, guide-book in hand, of pauses before the masterpieces. "To find all this with you" of gentle satire at the expense of American expatriates.

Lewis's last book is slight, in a minor key and a wistful mood.

THE CRADLE OF NEPTUNE. By John Lodwick. Heinemann. 10s. 6d. 285 pages.

WHEN a brilliant uneven and turbulent novelist like John Lodwick goes for his theme to his own public school, it is a fair assumption that Alma Mater is in for an unflinching trouncing. On the whole Dartmouth scene of "The Cradle of Neptune" comes well out of the ordeal.

Lodwick brings to fiction a mind singularly free from bias in favour of mankind. Yet he is one of your mealy-mouthed writers determined either to ignore the worst or hint at it. Each page seems to bear at the top an invisible warning "For Men Only."

The future admirals bold for England's sake, on whom Lodwick bestows his sardonic gaze include a smoothly vicious boy named Shingle, and Don Carlos, affable heir-apparent to a continental throne (momentarily overthrown by revolution). This prince, who has chosen to be educated at Dartmouth as the only way of escaping the Jesuits, earns among his companions a high reputation as a palmist.

Then there is Carnell who steals postal orders from his comrades, thus giving Roffey (central figure in the story) an opportunity to realise his (only) ambition, that is, get himself expelled by arranging to be caught with the stolen money in his hands.

Roffey is an example of a weakness of Lodwick's — his readiness to sacrifice verisimilitude to wit. Roffey is too adult, clever, determined, desperate, "tough." Lodwick, his creator, would be a still finer novelist were he less of a "show-off." But, let it be said at once, he has plenty of talent to show!

MEETING AT THE MILESTONE. By Sigurd Hoel. Secker and Warburg. 13s. 6d. 284 pages.

COUNTLESS novels, seeking on behalf of the resistance movements, have ended by boring us. Here is one brushed by the wings of greatness.

The narrator is sent by the secret leaders of the Home Front to investigate a leakage of information in a small Norwegian town. In an atmosphere poisoned with fear and suspicion, he makes startling discoveries. Heidenreich, a local Nazi sympathiser, is an old acquaintance of his from the university; Heidenreich's wife is the girl he had loved and lost while a student; and Heidenreich's "son" fanatical leader of the Nazi party in the town is in fact his son, whose existence he has never suspected.

To a grim melodrama Hoel brings uneasy insight in motives; ironic writing; humour; above all, a personal lyricism. Best novel this week; an outstanding novel any week.

THE WEST PIER. By Patrick Hamilton. Constable. 12s. 6d. 303 pages.

HAMILTON has his own ideas about how to tell a story—and his own ideas of what story to tell. His method is rather dry and old-fashioned. He stands a little apart, prim but unshockable, whispering to the reader, calm little asides at the horrid story—and it is a horrid story—unfolds: "Much as we may dislike the character of Gorse, it must be conceded that he did things thoroughly."

What Gorse did was to swindle a poor young girl out of her life savings. But Gorse, it is plain, will not remain on this lowly rung of the ladder. He has a future. One day his photograph will appear in all the newspapers as the Man with the Hypnotic Eyes. Hamilton deals savagely with other sensationalists. Gorse, and his hypnotic qualities, all the old ways to the common, sensed and taken the greatest pains.

A tale of crime and moral turpitude as it might be told by a solicitor's clerk smothered with a stamp of his own.

VIGNETTES OF LIFE

Summer's Over

By KEMP STARRETT



CANUCKS WILL BE OUT TOMORROW TO STOP THE RAMPAGING SAINTS

By "GRANDSTAND"

Wahoos and Squaws meet for the first time this year in the Ladies' League at 3.30 p.m. this afternoon in a showdown, with the Owls defending their title against the opposition from the Squaws which has been growing ever since their initiation into the pastime via the Junior League a couple of seasons back.

Two interesting Senior "A" Division games will also feature this week's card, with St. Joseph's taking on the Canucks at 2.00 p.m. tomorrow, followed immediately by the South China — Pandas rival encounter.

In the Juniors, the Delawares' unblemished record will be jeopardised when they cross bats with the diehard Griffins who are all out to upset the Delawares in an effort to keep pace with the leaders, while the Blackhawks should have no difficulty in stretching their winning streak to six-straight.

The Squaws have been distilling cut impressive performances in their recent outings, especially last week when they trounced the Pool To squad in a 27-1 humiliation. The Wahoos have also been having their workout against the weaker teams in the circuit, and are ready to take up the challenge—a clash which is postponed once the two teams invaded Macau this month in the drive for the Portuguese trophy.

Terry Norris has well out the rubber for the Owls with regular battery-mate Hilda Scott behind the batter, and the remainder of the infield will be Dally Madox at first base, Alec Mendonca and Irene Starky around the keystone, with the third-base position a toss up between Helene Ribeiro or Gwen Dragon.

The outfielders will be Verna Eise, Thompson and Marie Rall, unless Big Chief Terry Norris can persuade Teres Campos to turn out for the vital game.

The Squaws have plenty of talent to select from, and the hurling chores will fall on either Benita R. medios or Marie Gutierrez, depending on the whim of coach Rene Sequera, while Nana Carvalho will take on the hind-swing duties irrespective of who ever tos the rubber.

It's A Matter Of Caps Or Cash

Says W. CAPEL KIRBY

Has anybody given a thought to the players when it was suggested that they get together 10 days before an international match? The FA favour the idea and club directors and managers have had their say.

As one who visits the England camp frequently, I say without fear of contradiction that any increase in the training period would do more harm than good.

My reason for being so emphatic in a fee and off is that the majority of our won't one of my sake to Highbury, international class players are with a blank cheque. I left it to Tom e. Bill in the amount, which was £750."

Even now, in the short time they are in camp, there's a continual procession to and from the telephone, and that doesn't spell relaxation.

Can you blame Bert Williams for wondering how his sports outfitting businesses are faring, or Tom Finney worrying about his plumber's in-ers? Of course not, and it all comes back to the argument of paying players enough to make football a whole-time profession.

During the week I heard another Trinderism for my collection. Referring to Denis Compton's marriage in South Africa, Tommy added: "But what's the good? If they have any sons they'll only play for Charlton."

"The whitest man in the business," is Louis Page's tribute to Tom Whittaker.

Describing how the latest Irish goalkeeping success, Norman Upchurch, joined Swindon, he said:

"I was in bed and unable to move when the first and second team trainers reported their goalkeepers out of action. A phone call to Tom, in which there was £2,500.

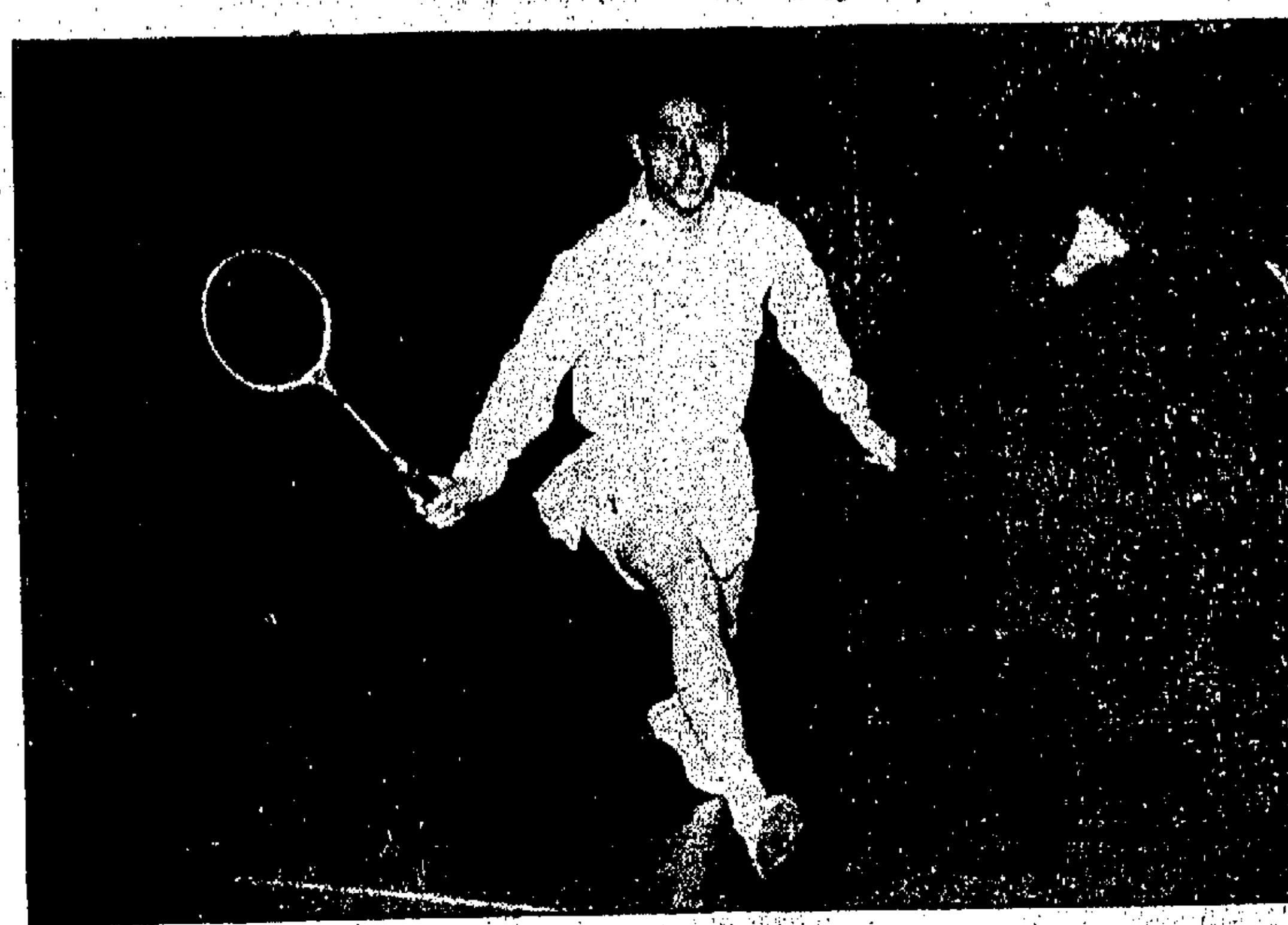
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Bumps a daisy



WIMBLEDON CLUB FINALIST



H. A. Heah, of Malaya, in play against L. T. Lee to win through the semi-final of the Men's Singles at the Wimbledon Club's Open Badminton Tournament.

—Central Press Photo.

South China Look Well Set To Retain The Championship

Says "SPIV"

South China remain the only unbeaten team in the First Division of the Soccer League, which is fast approaching the end of its first round, and even at this early stage look well set to retain the title for another year.

Sing Tao, four points behind and one game in hand, are next with 10 points and Army, with a slightly lower goal average, lie third.

In the Second Division, Kitchee and South China have not lost a game yet, and look as if they will again contest the final.

The two Army teams, 367 SU and RAMC lead in the team out, and all that can be said is that they were off form and inaccurate. It was, however, resounding triumph for youth, for the CAA XI consisting mainly of youngsters and their fierce tackling was in no small measure responsible for their brilliant win.

The other upset of the week was the 2-1 defeat of the once-formidable Kowloon Motor Bus last year's finalists, by Kitchee.

Once again their goal-scoring machine failed to go into action. A rearranged forward line in the second half, after they had conceded two goals, gave them a greater share of the play, but erratic shooting threw away the numerous chances of scoring that they were presented with.

Veteran Lai Shiu-wing ably led the Kitchee team and scored the second goal himself with a brilliant header.

TODAY'S BIG GAME

The main attraction of this week-end's games will be the clash between Sing Tao and Army at the Club ground this afternoon, starting at 4 p.m. Both are level on points with Sing Tao enjoying a slightly better goal average.

The losers today will find it difficult to stay in the running for the Championship.

On current form Army will be very lucky to get away with a draw. The Army XI, it should practically be the same as that which lost to CAA last week, with the exception of Wilson, who pulled a thigh ligament and will be replaced by Hardman.

Wilson will be sorely missed in this afternoon's match, in which the short-passing tactics of the well-organized Sing Tao forwards should give them a clear advantage.

TODAY'S GAMES

First Division
Sing Tao v. Army (Club, 4 p.m.)

St. Joseph's v. Club (Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)

Second Division
Sing Tao v. Tramways (Club, 2.30 p.m.)

St. Joseph's v. Club (Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)

Third Division

Western v. University (St. Joseph's, 2.30 p.m.)

Crangengower will entertain the Optimists and have both a design on all four points and the team to take them. This should be another match with 400 runs for the afternoon.

Army "A" take on the University at Soakunpoo, probably with one or two fast bowlers added to the team. Should the speed merchants be available this week, all four points will almost certainly be Army's. Royal Navy entertain Army "B" at King's Park.



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